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FOREWORD

The Arkansas Crop and Livestock Reporting Service and the University of Arkansas, Division of Agriculture, cooperate in collecting, estimating, and publishing over 52 reports each year. The state and county estimates found in this bulletin are basically an annual summary of these reports. The scope of agriculture has increased with demands for information by producers, processors, manufacturers, and Government program planners, but the original goal has remained steady—to help farmers market more effectively.

The major sources of reliable information for crop and livestock estimates are those in agriculture—farmers, ranchers, hatchery men, feeders, slaughterhouse managers, grain elevator operators, sister agencies within the USDA—the same people who are extensive users of statistical data. Their cooperation is absolutely essential to a workable and useful estimating program.

Information is collected by various methods: by mail surveys, in telephone contacts, by personal interview, and through counts and measurements on plants in selected fields. Mail surveys are used to collect information on an array of agricultural activities: acreage intended for planting and planted, for harvest and harvested; yields and production; livestock and poultry inventories; intention to produce, and production; farm employment and wages.

In the early 1960's, the Arkansas Crop and Livestock Reporting Service started using probability sampling for enumerative surveys and objective measurements of crop yields. Probability sampling provides information for computing sampling error. Thus, estimates can be made with a known degree of precision. Since the probability sample represents a true cross section of Arkansas farmers, the estimates are not biased.

Sampling errors or precision for major agricultural commodities for the large probability surveys average about 4 to 8 percent on a State basis. A sampling error of 8 percent means that chances are about 2 out of 3 that the sample estimate is within 8 percent of the result that would be obtained if the entire population were surveyed, rather than just a sample.

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ARKANSAS AGRICULTURE DURING 1980*

Production

Wheat was the only Arkansas crop producing a larger yield per acre in 1980 than the year before. Heat and drought reduced the yield of cotton, soybeans, sorghum, and corn to disastrously low levels. Rice and oats were not greatly affected and produced near normal yields.

Harvested acreage of principal crops in 1980 was nearly unchanged from a year earlier at 8.3 million acres. Only soybeans showed a smaller acreage than in 1979. An 800,000 acre reduction in that crop was offset by a corresponding expansion in harvested acreage of wheat, rice, cotton, and sorghum.

Soybeans harvested in Arkansas in 1980 totaled 4.35 million acres, down 16 percent from 1979. Yield fell from 28 bushels to 16 bushels per acre and together with last year's smaller acreage, resulted in production of 69.6 million bushels, less than half the 144.2 million bushels harvested in 1979.

Arkansas led the nation in rice acreage and production. Rice reached a new record high of 1.28 million acres harvested, 25 percent more than a year earlier. Yield per acre fell to 4,110 pounds, the lowest yield since 1962 when it stood at 3,850 pounds. The 1980 rice crop was a record high, 52.6 million hundredweight, up 19 percent from 1979. This bumper crop was made possible by a sharp increase in harvested acres. Arkansas contributed 36 percent of the Nation's 1980 output.

Cotton acreage harvested was up one-fifth to 645,000 acres. However, with only 330 pounds of cotton harvested per acre, production amounted to 444,000 bales, the smallest output since 1881.

Harvested wheat acreage nearly doubled from 420,000 acres in 1979 to a record high 820,000 acres in 1980. The previous record was set in 1977 with 660,000 acres harvested. Yield per acre, at 38 bushels, was 1 bushel below the all-time high of 39 bushels. Production of 31.2 million bushels was more than double the 1979 harvest.

Grain sorghum yield in 1980 was less than half the 1979 yield at 29 bushels per acre. Production was only 5.9 million bushels, down about 5.0 million bushels, despite an increase of 27,000 acres in acres harvested.

Production of all hay also suffered a loss, amounting to 1.2 million tons, compared with 1.8 million tons in 1979. Acreage harvested in 1980 totaled 921,000 acres, down 1 percent from a year earlier, but yield dropped to 1.33 tons per acre from 1.90 tons.

Peach production in Arkansas in 1980 fell 23 percent from a year earlier to 27.0 million pounds (583 thousand 48-lb. lugs). The value of utilized production dropped 25 percent from 4.8 to 3.6 million dollars. The apple crop plummeted to 5.0 million pounds in 1980, about one-fifth of the 1979 production. This was the smallest crop grown since 1957. Value of utilized production amounted to 415,000 dollars, compared with 2.6 million dollars in 1979. Jonathans represented 36 percent of the total production and Delicious varieties 18 percent. The grape crop amounted to 6,600 tons, down 1,600 tons from 1979 and was valued at 1.1 million dollars. Pecan production dropped to 900,000 pounds, down 40 percent from 1,500,000 pounds in 1979. This was the smallest crop since 1922.

Value of the principal fresh market vegetables and watermelons sold during 1980 totaled 8.3 million dollars, down from 12.8 million dollars in 1979. Watermelon production in 1980, at 80,000 hundredweight, was slightly more than one-fourth of the 1979 output. Fresh market tomatoes were harvested from 2,700 acres, down 400 acres from 1979. Production amounted to 241,000 hundredweight, compared with 402,000 a year earlier. Growers realized only 7.9 million dollars, 3.9 million dollars less than in 1979. Strawberries were unchanged at 400 acres, and produced a crop worth 800,000 dollars.

Processed vegetable tonnage in 1980 fell more than one-fourth to 12,210 tons, while the value of production dropped to 1.6 million dollars, down one-third from the year before.

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*This report is the 58th of a series on Agricultural Statistics for Arkansas. The statistics are issued currently throughout the year by the Arkansas Crop and Livestock Reporting Service, but have been assembled in this report to provide a ready reference. The tabular material was assembled by Mary Stewart.

Arkansas continued to be the leading broiler-producing state with 634.9 million birds raised during 1980. Output was down 6 percent from the 1979 all-time high of 678.2 million broilers. Egg production held virtually steady at 4.2 billion eggs. Arkansas slipped a notch in the National ranking, coming in fourth behind California, Georgia, and Pennsylvania. Turkey growers raised a record-breaking 14.5 million birds in 1980, surpassing the previous year's all-time high by 9 percent. Arkansas held onto fourth place in turkey production.

Red meat production for Arkansas in 1980 showed a 5 percent increase over 1979, at 121 million pounds. Number of cattle and calves on January 1, 1981, rose by 250,000 to 2.30 million head. Beef cow numbers increased 9 percent during 1980 to 1.17 million head on January 1, 1981, while milk cows were off 1,000 head to 80,000 cows. Milk production in 1980, at 745 million pounds, gained 3 percent from 725 million pounds produced in 1979. The hog and pig inventory as of December 1, 1980, stood at 720,000 head, up one-fifth compared with a year earlier.

Preliminary cash receipts from the sale of all Arkansas farm products in 1980 amounted to 3.11 billion dollars, 2 percent below the 1979 record high sales. Cash receipts from the sale of crops generated 1.56 billion dollars, off 2 percent from a year earlier. Livestock and poultry sales totaled 1.54 billion dollars, a decline of 1 percent from a year earlier.

The value of all crops produced in Arkansas in 1980 totaled 1.62 billion dollars, down 10 percent from 1979. Wheat more than doubled to 118 million dollars and rice jumped 30 percent to 606 million dollars. Cotton fell 12 percent to 167 million dollars, while grain sorghum, at 17 million, was down 7 million dollars. All hay dropped from 75 to 56 million dollars.

Lower cattle and calf prices during 1980 caused the value of these animals to drop from 434 to 376 million dollars, in spite of greater production. Hogs produced in 1980 were valued at 87 million dollars, up 5 million dollars. The sale of milk brought farmers 96 million dollars, a gain of 9 million dollars. Broiler sales produced a gross income of 658 million dollars, up 18 million dollars, and turkeys advanced from 92 to 106 million dollars. The value of egg production, at 210 million dollars, suffered an 8 million dollar setback from a year earlier due to lower egg prices.

Weather and Crop Summary

A mild winter was in progress during January. Above average temperatures prevailed and the substantial rainfall kept field work at a minimum. Supplemental feeding was necessary in most areas, although limited pasture grazing was possible throughout the month.

Cold weather characterized February with temperatures averaging 5 to 15 degrees below normal. Up to a foot of snow covered northern counties at mid-month. Pastures had almost no growth due to the cold temperatures. Supplemental feeding of cattle increased. No field work was started the entire month due to abundant soil moisture.

Normal temperatures returned to Arkansas in March. Rainfall was prevalent but field work began in the form of stalk destruction. Near the end of the month, fertilizers were being applied at a rapid rate. Small grains and fescue made good growth, but hay was still being fed to most livestock. Peaches began blooming in March and all fruit crops were in excellent condition.

Severe thunderstorms passed through the State in mid-April bringing rain, hail, and some unseasonable sleet and snow. Otherwise, temperatures were normal and field work continued. Planting of crops was the dominant activity. By the month's end, planting of major crops was ahead of the cool and dampened 1979 pace but behind the average. Rice was 22 percent seeded compared with the 51 percent average. Cotton planting was 10 percent complete compared with the 17 percent average and corn planting, at 43 percent, was behind the 58 percent average. Wheat and oats were in good condition, as were fruit trees. Strawberries, watermelons, and tomatoes were also making good progress. Cattle were in good condition and were able to graze more due to good pasture growth.

May brought below normal temperatures the first half of the month and higher than normal the last half. Considerable rainfall the last half of the month slowed field activities. Soybean planting was 13 percent complete compared with the 34 percent average. Rice and cotton seeding was slowed due to wet weather but was 90 percent complete by the end of the month. Corn and sorghum planting was 75 percent complete by month's end. The first cuttings of alfalfa and other hay crops took place in May. Strawberry harvest was delayed by rain. Cattle remained in good condition and pastures showed excellent growth.

The month of June brought above normal temperatures to the State and dry conditions; the making of a major drought were underway. Planting of crops continued but moisture was needed for seed germination. Cotton, rice, and corn planting was complete in June and by the end of the month soybean and sorghum seeding was 90 percent complete. Wheat and oat harvest started the first week of June and was 95 percent complete by month's end, on schedule with the average. Peach and tomato harvest began and watermelons were setting fruit. Cattle were in good condition; however, some poultry losses were incurred due to the heat. Some second cuttings of hay were obtained but most fields were showing slow growth from lack of water and the high temperatures.

Hot and dry best described the weather in July as the drought continued. Soybean and sorghum planting was completed during the month, as was harvest of wheat and oats. Soil moisture was short statewide and in conjunction with the heat limited the growth of crops. By the end of July, cotton was in fair condition but droppage of bolls was prevalent. Soybeans were in poor condition with some fields plowed under to prepare for wheat plantings. Rice condition was fair but keeping floods on fields was a problem. Corn and sorghum were in poor condition. Cattle condition dropped from good to fair. Hay cutting was virtually at a standstill.

August weather provided no relief from the drought as crop and livestock conditions continued to deteriorate. Cattle suffered more weight loss and milk production declined. Water supplies became critically low in many areas. Some crop abandonment continued as some fields deteriorated beyond recovery. Rice, corn, and sorghum harvests were underway by the end of the month. The first cotton bales of 1980 were ginned on August 26.

The drought continued into September but was finally broken by substantial rains that came the last week of the month. The moisture helped cool temperatures to below normal levels. Although the rains helped pasture recovery, they were too late to help most crops. Tomatoes, watermelons, and all fruit tree crops were greatly reduced by the drought, which pushed harvest of some crops ahead of schedule. By the end of the month, corn and sorghum harvest was 98 and 88 percent complete, respectively, far ahead of the 60 percent average. Soybean harvest began the last week of September. Rice harvest was 45 percent complete by October 1 and cotton harvest was 20 percent complete. Wheat and oat planting began in September and was 8 percent complete by month's end.

Below normal temperatures prevailed in October and additional rainfall helped to further relieve drought conditions. Corn and sorghum harvests were completed, and rice harvest drew to a close. Cotton harvest was three-fourths finished, ahead of the 50 percent average, and cutting of soybeans was 25 percent complete. Wheat and oat planting continued as fields of cotton and soybeans were harvested.

Cotton harvest was over by the end of November, slightly ahead of the average. Cutting of soybeans continued and progressed rapidly with only 15 percent remaining for harvest by December 1. All oats were seeded by month's end and wheat planting was 90 percent complete. Winter hay supplies were already running low and cattle were being fed supplements. The first snow of winter fell on November 26, with up to 4 inches accumulating briefly in some sections.

Most of December was characterized by unseasonably warm temperatures, with cold snaps occurring the first and last weeks. Soybean harvest was complete by December 15, as was wheat seeding. Early planted small grains were showing good stands. Pastures were still supplying below average feed requirements and protein supplements were fed to cattle.

REALIZED GROSS INCOME AND NET INCOME OF FARM OPERATORS FROM FARMING[1]

Year	Realized gross farm income[2]	Farm production expenses	Realized net farm income	Net change in farm inventories	Total net farm income
			Million dollars		
1960	743.3	502.7	240.6	4.4	244.9
1961	855.4	556.5	299.0	5.2	304.1
1962	853.6	602.2	251.4	13.1	264.5
1963	919.1	660.7	258.4	.3	258.7
1964	983.3	706.6	276.7	21.0	297.7
1965	1,001.5	757.5	244.0	-7.2	236.8
1966	1,151.5	801.6	349.9	8.0	357.9
1967	1,101.9	859.1	242.8	13.5	256.2
1968	1,170.5	905.2	265.3	13.1	278.4
1969	1,266.8	986.6	280.2	-11.4	268.8
1970	1,378.5	1,064.8	313.7	15.3	329.0
1971	1,403.9	1,112.1	291.8	15.4	307.2
1972	1,550.4	1,195.7	354.6	38.0	392.6
1973	2,285.4	1,521.1	764.4	49.7	814.0
1974	2,307.8	1,721.1	586.7	269.0	855.7
1975	2,316.2	1,654.0	662.2	99.5	761.7
1976	2,556.0	1,850.8	705.2	-170.9	534.3
1977	2,657.1	2,077.0	580.1	-12.5	567.6
1978	3,184.2	2,235.6	948.6	-67.6	881.0
1979	3,455.4	2,596.6	858.8	191.3	1,050.1

[1]Details may not add to totals because of rounding
[2]Includes cash receipts from farm marketings, government payments, value of home consumption, and gross rental value of farm dwellings.

DISTRIBUTION OF CASH RECEIPTS FROM ARKANSAS FARM PRODUCTS

Year	Cotton (lint & seed)	Cattle and calves	Broil-ers[1]	Soy beans	Rice	Dairy products	Hogs	Eggs	Turkeys	Other
					Percent					
1961	34.9	9.5	12.2	16.2	9.1	4.4	2.1	4.9	1.4	5.3
1962	32.1	9.2	14.6	14.6	11.1	4.3	1.9	5.8	1.3	5.1
1963	34.0	8.2	14.4	13.5	10.9	3.9	1.6	6.7	1.4	5.4
1964	28.4	7.4	14.1	21.3	8.9	3.3	1.4	7.5	1.6	6.1
1965	27.2	9.3	15.7	17.0	10.3	3.2	1.5	7.9	2.1	5.8
1966	11.3	9.2	17.8	27.5	11.1	3.4	1.7	9.0	2.7	6.3
1967	8.7	10.2	16.6	25.1	12.4	3.8	1.6	9.7	3.4	8.5
1968	14.0	11.2	17.6	20.4	12.2	3.7	1.6	10.3	2.8	6.2
1969	13.9	11.0	19.8	19.9	12.4	3.5	1.7	10.0	2.4	5.4
1970	11.3	13.1	16.6	26.9	9.8	3.2	1.5	8.8	2.8	6.0
1971	15.6	12.5	18.2	22.1	9.6	3.3	1.4	8.5	2.9	5.9
1972	15.4	14.0	18.9	19.7	9.9	3.2	1.5	8.4	2.6	6.4
1973	10.1	11.4	20.3	23.8	15.3	2.4	1.5	8.3	2.4	4.5
1974	6.0	5.8	17.6	34.1	16.8	2.7	1.2	8.7	1.8	5.3
1975	13.1	9.7	21.3	20.2	15.0	2.7	1.7	8.5	2.1	5.7
1976	11.0	8.0	19.4	25.2	13.5	2.9	1.9	8.5	2.9	6.7
1977	11.3	12.5	20.9	19.6	15.2	2.9	1.7	7.3	3.0	5.6
1978[2]	7.0	12.7	20.3	26.5	15.1	2.6	2.0	5.9	3.6	4.3
1979[2]	6.1	13.2	20.9	25.5	14.8	2.7	2.5	6.6	2.9	4.8

Source: Farm Income Branch of Economic Research Service.
[1]Starting in 1974, percent is for all chickens.
[2]Revised data.

CASH RECEIPTS FROM FARM MARKETINGS, GOVERNMENT PAYMENTS, AND VALUE OF HOME CONSUMPTION

Year	Cash receipts from farm marketings			Gov't pay-ments	Cash receipts & gov't pay-ments	Value of home consumption[1]		
	Crops	Livestock and livestock products	Total			Crops	Livestock and livestock products	All products
				Thousand dollars				
1961	503,986	269,953	773,939	15,644	789,583	9,620	16,085	25,705
1962	480,525	288,860	769,411	16,490	785,901	8,633	14,354	22,987
1963	521,989	303,184	825,173	14,511	839,684	8,345	12,898	21,243
1964	575,153	320,724	895,877	14,900	910,777	7,900	11,258	19,158
1965	539,801	370,250	910,051	17,221	927,272	7,641	10,377	18,018
1966	543,641	441,887	985,528	85,709	1,071,237	7,248	10,135	17,383
1967	489,180	424,968	914,148	103,289	1,017,437	7,089	9,117	16,206
1968	515,048	483,310	998,358	80,838	1,079,196	6,693	8,732	15,425
1969	544,416	536,404	1,080,820	82,488	1,163,308	6,412	9,426	15,838
1970	631,373	565,831	1,197,204	87,747	1,284,951	6,781	10,104	16,885
1971	640,135	587,366	1,227,501	79,935	1,307,436	6,647	9,824	16,471
1972	678,709	683,537	1,362,246	81,624	1,443,870	6,952	10,490	17,442
1973	1,099,484	988,856	2,088,340	68,228	2,156,568	9,116	14,946	24,062
1974	1,324,151	825,134	2,149,285	7,417	2,156,702	11,158	18,649	29,807
1975	1,141,803	995,537	2,137,340	16,028	2,153,368	11,143	14,650	25,793
1976	1,322,832	1,047,598	2,370,430	9,097	2,379,527	11,899	17,286	29,185
1977	1,233,412	1,175,920	2,409,332	53,527	2,522,336	11,604	19,750	31,354
1978[2]	1,278,891	1,399,120	2,678,011	24,491	2,702,502	11,667	19,922	31,589
1979[3]	1,538,938	1,632,756	3,171,694	32,564	3,204,258	11,555	26,326	37,881

[1]Represents crops, livestock and livestock products consumed on farms where produced, by farm operators' households, and by farm laborers and their families; valued at average prices received by farmers for products sold.

[2]Revised data.

[3]Preliminary data.

CASH RECEIPTS FOR LIVESTOCK AND CROPS COMMODITIES, 1979 AND 1980[1]

Year	Livestock products	Meat animals	Dairy products	Poultry/ eggs	Misc. livestock	Crops	Food grains
1979	1,562,095	497,906	86,172	959,854	18,163	1,599,901	516,570
1980	1,544,398	419,485	96,301	1,014,311	14,301	1,564,045	636,646

Year	Feed crops	Cotton	Oil crops	Vegetables	Fruit/ nuts	All other crops	All commod-ities, total
1979	31,483	192,071	806,992	17,683	11,518	23,584	3,161,996
1980	21,269	201,644	660,991	11,258	8,760	23,477	3,108,443

[1]Preliminary

CASH RECEIPTS FROM FARM MARKETINGS, BY COMMODITIES 1976-1979[1]

Commodity	1976	1977	1978	1979[2]
	Thousand dollars			
Livestock and livestock products	1,045,862	1,175,920	1,404,906	1,562,095
Cattle, calves	188,472	301,110	374,427	418,657
Dairy products	68,288	69,779	76,648	86,172
Hogs	44,198	40,164	58,113	79,173
Chickens (including broilers)	459,973	502,728	598,064	660,827
Eggs	201,653	175,876	174,418	207,461
Turkeys	68,204	71,912	105,750	91,566
Other	15,074	14,351	17,486	18,239
Crops	1,321,657	1,233,501	1,539,176	1,599,901
Cotton lint	233,148	246,079	174,462	167,634
Cottonseed	27,819	26,222	31,228	24,437
Rice	319,121	367,365	445,768	466,508
Soybeans	596,522	473,151	779,837	806,992
Corn	2,034	2,080	1,094	1,445
Hay	8,574	5,596	4,484	9,116
Wheat	72,218	46,122	35,729	50,062
Oats	5,603	3,819	4,304	2,803
Sorghum grain	14,831	21,819	17,262	18,119
Lespedeza seed	123	271	354	330
Spinach	687	890	793	475
Tomatoes (Fresh market)	11,183	6,184	6,666	11,798
Other field crops (including commercial vegetables)	7,257	7,596	6,900	10,214
Peaches	4,536	4,204	4,275	5,482
Strawberries	1,750	1,539	1,260	770
Pecans	700	1,553	2,259	696
Other fruit and nut crops	2,375	3,963	3,465	4,570
Forest products	7,922	8,802	9,700	11,150
Greenhouse, nursery	5,254	5,838	6,900	7,300
Total crops and livestock	2,367,519	2,409,421	2,944,082	3,161,996

Source: Farm Income Branch of Economic Research Service.
[1]The cash receipts shown in this table are on a calendar year basis, whereas data in individual crop tables on following pages are on a crop year basis.
[2]1979 Revised. 1980 data not available at time of publication.

ARKANSAS FARM PRODUCTION EXPENSES, 1975-1979

Item	1975	1976	1977	1978	1979
			Million dollars		
Current farm operating expenses					
Feed	392.6	476.7	488.0	520.6	626.9
Livestock	66.0	85.5	144.9	164.7	190.3
Seed	51.9	55.8	67.2	66.9	81.0
Fertilizer and lime	89.7	91.6	95.0	84.5	87.2
Repairs and operations	191.2	214.0	218.0	239.4	293.8
Hired labor	77.0	77.5	96.4	97.9	97.9
Miscellaneous	283.9	319.2	387.0	434.9	518.8
Total current expenses[1]	1,152.4	1,320.3	1,496.5	1,608.8	1,896.0
Depreciation and consumption of farm capital	253.6	281.0	319.3	340.1	383.5
Taxes on farm property	38.8	41.9	40.0	41.6	32.7
Interest on farm mortgage debt	82.9	93.5	104.7	120.9	143.1
Net rent to non-farm landlords	126.4	114.1	116.6	124.3	141.4
Total production expenses[1]	1,654.0	1,850.8	2,077.0	2,235.6	2,596.6

[1]Total may not add due to rounding.

INDEX: PRICES RECEIVED BY ARKANSAS FARMERS (1967=100)

Year or month[1]	All crops	Food grains	Feed grains	Feed grains & hay	Cotton	Oil-bearing crops
1980 Jan.	241	199	204	202	285	241
Feb.	254	216	208	205	324	239
Mar.	259	228	203	201	351	227
Apr.	251	225	203	196	338	219
May	249	217	205	198	335	220
June	233	210	206	198	280	221
July	258	209	216	208	320	253
Aug.	256	196	232	222	291	273
Sept.	266	197	251	235	315	281
Oct.	280	208	248	244	325	298
Nov.	289	227	253	249	329	308
Dec.	291	251	252	249	339	293
1980	241	257	235	240	319	256
1979	223	188	204	207	258	258
1978	220	188	166	169	234	234
1977	229	151	169	179	255	262
1976	208	142	199	197	271	207
1975	195	207	203	203	182	194
1971-80 av.	199	186	175	176	211	211

Year or month[1]	Fruits	Vegetables	Livestock & products	Meat animals	Dairy products	Poultry & eggs	All commodities
1980 Jan.	198	232	225	302	246	196	233
Feb.	198	232	219	314	251	183	237
Mar.	198	235	209	272	250	183	234
Apr.	198	235	198	250	244	175	225
May	198	235	202	237	238	185	226
June	198	235	207	254	240	188	221
July	198	235	240	246	240	238	249
Aug.	217	174	241	252	242	236	256
Sept.	213	197	231	250	251	222	249
Oct.	213	197	237	253	257	230	259
Nov.	213	197	238	249	270	231	264
Dec.	237	197	238	262	270	226	265
1980	207	217	224	262	250	208	246
1979	212	214	232	333	234	197	241
1978	192	181	204	239	201	193	212
1977	189	175	174	160	183	177	202
1976	167	230	176	158	185	182	192
1975	182	232	176	138	161	192	186
1971-1980 av.	175	188	177	196	174	172	191

[1]1980 Preliminary data

FARM REAL ESTATE: AVERAGE VALUE PER ACRE, ARKANSAS AND SURROUNDING STATES, AND 48-STATE TOTAL, FEBRUARY 1, 1977-1981

State	FEB. 1977	FEB. 1978	FEB. 1979	FEB. 1980	FEB. 1981[1]
			Dollars		
Arkansas	521	619	769	922	1,061
Louisiana	581	822	1,002	1,293	1,526
Mississippi	404	568	682	826	1,049
Missouri	526	636	726	878	939
Oklahoma	365	451	513	605	666
Tennessee	545	735	863	957	1,024
Texas	286	336	384	445	490
48 states	450	533	628	720	790

[1]Preliminary, November data have been discontinued.

ARKANSAS' RANK AMONG STATES: VALUE AND PRODUCTION OF CROPS AND LIVESTOCK, 1980

Commodity	Unit	Production		Value of production	
		Rank	Thous. units	Rank	Thous. dollars
CROPS					
Corn for grain	Bu.	40	1,036	40	3,678
Cotton	Lb. Bale	6	444	6	164,316
Cottonseed	Ton	5	181	4	23,349
Oats	Bu.	24	2,079	23	3,846
Rice	Lb. Cwt.	1	52,615	[2]	[2]
Sorghum grain	Bu.	10	5,887	10	16,955
Soybeans, for beans	Bu.	8	69,600	7	560,280
Sweetpotatoes	Cwt.	13	36	13	360
Wheat, all	Bu.	19	31,160	19	118,408
HAY & SEEDS					
Hay, all	Ton	29	1,221	32	57,387
Lespedeza seed	Lb.	4	465	3	293
Tall fescue seed	Lb.	4	3,380	5	625
FRUITS & NUTS					
Apples, commercial	Lb.	35	5,000	35	415
Grapes	Ton	8	6.6	9	1,122
Peaches	Lb.	10	27,000	11	3,645
Pecans, all	Lb.	11	900	11	742
TRUCK CROPS					
Strawberries	Lb.	13	[illegible]600	13	793
Tomatoes	Cwt.	13	241	9	7,897
Watermelons	Cwt.	15	80	15	362
LIVESTOCK & POULTRY					
Cattle & calves[1]	Head	17	2,300	20	376,222
Milk	Lb.	34	745,000	34	100,575
Hogs & pigs	Head	20	720	20	86,546
Commercial broilers	No.	1	634,877	1	657,733
Eggs	No.	4	4,153,000	3	209,727
Farm chickens	No.	3	27,450	3	13,720
Turkeys, raised	No.	4	14,500	4	106,416
Honey	Lb.	34	1,472	38	824
Beeswax	Lb.	38	28	38	51

[1]Number on farms, January 1, 1981.
[2]Not available for 1980.

ARKANSAS LAND AREA AND AGRICULTURAL RESOURCES, BY COUNTIES, 1978 FEDERAL CENSUS

District and county	Approx. acres of land area	Number of farms	Acres in farms	Average size of farm (acres)	Cropland havested (acres)	Irrigated land (acres)
District 1						
Benton	544,640	2,299	281,015	122	61,011	740
Boone	375,040	1,117	257,081	230	22,117	479
Carroll	400,640	1,016	223,367	220	24,845	244
Madison	532,480	1,133	243,320	215	30,582	395
Newton	526,080	555	99,027	178	7,357	230
Washington	613,120	2,657	354,008	133	69,298	857
TOTAL	2,922,000	8,777	1,457,818	166	215,210	2,945
District 2						
Baxter	343,744	502	98,695	197	9,561	108
Cleburne	354,304	708	126,958	179	18,241	720
Fulton	389,376	830	212,601	256	13,553	281
Izard	367,040	730	182,373	250	11,518	88
Marion	373,632	549	147,845	269	9,358	0
Searcy	424,960	670	183,364	274	11,604	243
Sharp	371,840	585	184,636	316	10,090	337
Stone	389,312	609	129,324	212	9,110	0
Van Buren	447,488	558	127,462	228	16,659	0
TOTAL	3,461,696	5,741	1,393,258	243	109,694	1,777
District 3						
Clay	409,088	894	320,945	359	247,999	42,786
Craighead	458,432	1,189	362,085	305	306,060	85,688
Greene	370,560	990	254,743	257	188,899	37,099
Independence	481,216	1,042	305,678	293	91,399	4,676
Jackson	402,304	549	359,021	654	294,222	72,839
Lawrence	377,536	822	273,860	333	181,262	42,157
Mississippi	578,304	856	513,629	600	475,878	14,720
Poinsett	486,208	719	415,546	578	366,515	138,718
Randolph	413,592	831	245,777	296	92,348	13,704
White	666,496	1,719	407,036	237	189,074	22,899
TOTAL	4,643,736	9,611	3,458,320	360	2,433,656	475,286
District 4						
Crawford	381,440	843	140,238	166	41,653	5,006
Franklin	392,448	720	158,846	221	26,389	910
Johnson	430,464	651	114,620	176	22,200	2,563
Logan	459,200	1,042	211,095	203	39,204	975
Polk	549,760	858	118,904	139	16,560	561
Pope	519,808	848	171,114	202	38,195	1,728
Scott	574,592	659	119,609	182	17,770	78
Sebastian	337,280	726	138,605	191	22,906	191
Yell	594,432	978	207,375	212	50,202	2,846
TOTAL	4,239,424	7,325	1,380,406	188	275,079	14,858
District 5						
Conway	358,912	726	177,980	245	51,680	2,078
Faulkner	410,304	1,133	244,301	216	65,954	4,934
Garland	420,800	376	47,415	126	4,216	216
Grant	403,840	255	35,578	140	5,985	26
Hot Spring	397,568	487	78,632	161	13,353	889
Perry	352,576	373	74,823	201	21,375	2,557
Pulaski	489,408	498	135,243	272	73,967	8,989
Saline	463,168	347	58,525	169	8,956	266
TOTAL	3,296,576	4,195	852,497	203	245,486	19,955

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ARKANSAS LAND AREA AND AGRICULTURAL RESOURCES, BY COUNTIES, 1978 FEDERAL CENSUS

District and county	Approx. acres of land area	Number of farms	Acres in farms	Average size of farm (acres)	Cropland havested (acres)	Irrigated land (acres)
District 6						
Arkansas	649,280	747	479,475	642	376,024	257,003
Crittenden	389,184	382	365,629	957	319,537	21,842
Cross	400,192	571	344,956	604	280,986	115,911
Lee	388,992	636	324,770	511	263,477	35,550
Lonoke	509,376	1,015	419,928	414	303,367	163,971
Monroe	388,672	435	241,515	555	194,800	47,157
Phillips	438,912	640	352,725	551	307,575	10,724
Prairie	422,848	572	325,255	569	250,189	128,419
Saint Francis	406,592	567	337,033	594	266,755	58,509
Woodruff	378,432	388	292,305	753	246,301	71,380
TOTAL	4,372,480	5,953	3,483,591	585	2,809,011	910,466
District 7						
Hempstead	464,640	835	186,063	223	49,961	1,553
Howard	364,736	649	109,806	169	15,499	264
Lafayette	334,464	300	118,558	395	53,785	9,208
Little River	311,040	424	148,850	351	43,340	1,365
Miller	398,656	535	187,083	350	68,886	5,478
Montgomery	495,936	444	76,115	171	9,999	305
Pike	383,872	446	81,315	182	13,282	446
Sevier	334,080	569	116,108	204	14,844	1,641
TOTAL	3,087,424	4,202	1,023,898	244	269,596	20,260
District 8						
Bradley	416,832	406	47,871	118	7,818	1,367
Calhoun	402,304	171	28,186	165	4,897	178
Clark	561,792	494	132,191	268	46,150	3,856
Cleveland	384,640	293	48,764	166	6,373	58
Columbia	491,520	487	83,732	172	8,949	108
Dallas	430,080	166	34,268	206	8,116	244
Nevada	394,112	507	97,175	192	17,240	64
Ouachita	470,976	257	51,953	202	12,835	0
Union	672,256	351	42,137	120	5,434	78
TOTAL	4,224,512	3,132	566,277	181	117,812	5,953
District 9						
Ashley	593,920	376	176,503	469	134,303	25,427
Chicot	411,264	469	305,091	651	255,518	32,984
Desha	470,912	507	303,697	599	249,441	57,706
Drew	532,288	484	147,483	305	78,986	16,517
Jefferson	558,656	561	329,635	588	241,275	61,451
Lincoln	360,000	440	222,207	505	145,240	39,935
TOTAL	2,927,040	2,837	1,484,616	523	1,104,763	234,020
STATE	33,244,888	51,773	15,100,681	292	7,580,307	1,685,520

FIELD CROPS: ACREAGE, YIELD, PRODUCTION, PRICE, AND VALUE

Crop and year	Planted	Harvested	Yield per acre	Unit	Production	Season av. price per unit	Value of production
	Thous. acres	Thous. acres			Thous. units	Dollars	Thous. dollars
Corn							
1971-80 av.	47	34	47.0	Bu.	1,599	2.41	3,857
1976	55	45	56.0	Bu.	2,520	2.50	6,300
1977	55	43	53.0	Bu.	2,279	2.15	4,900
1978	40	30	60.0	Bu.	1,800	2.40	4,320
1979	50	35	58.0	Bu.	2,030	2.70	5,481
1980	60	37	28.0	Bu.	1,036	3.55	3,678
Corn, forage							
1971-80 av.	--	2	--	--	--	--	--
1976	--	2	--	--	--	--	--
1977	--	2	--	--	--	--	--
1978	--	2	--	--	--	--	--
1979	--	3	--	--	--	--	--
1980	--	4	--	--	--	--	--
Corn, silage							
1971-80 av.	--	8	10.2	Ton	78	--	--
1976	--	6	13.0	Ton	78	--	--
1977	--	8	10.0	Ton	80	--	--
1978	--	7	10.0	Ton	70	--	--
1979	--	8	10.0	Ton	80	--	--
1980	--	9	8.0	Ton	72	--	--
Cotton							
1971-80 av.	979	915	462	Lb-Bale	880	.4580	193,479
1976	1,125	950	392	Lb-Bale	776	.6160	229,448
1977	950	930	534	Lb-Bale	1,035	.5270	261,814
1978	810	760	417	Lb-Bale	660	.6010	190,397
1979	610	530	549	Lb-Bale	606	.6530	189,945
1980	700	645	330	Lb-Bale	444	.7710	164,316
Cottonseed							
1971-80 av.	--	--	--	Ton	339	89.59	30,370
1976	--	--	--	Ton	294	105.00	30,870
1977	--	--	--	Ton	400	73.50	29,400
1978	--	--	--	Ton	241	116.00	27,956
1979	--	--	--	Ton	215	133.00	28,595
1980	--	--	--	Ton	181	129.00	23,349
Rice							
1971-80 av.	815	810	4,495	Lb-Cwt.	36,411	8.88	323,429
1976	850	847	4,770	Lb-Cwt.	40,362	7.25	292,625
1977	840	837	4,230	Lb-Cwt.	35,396	9.79	346,527
1978	1,100	1,090	4,450	Lb-Cwt.	48,505	8.47	410,837
1979	1,030	1,020	4,320	Lb-Cwt.	44,064	10.60	467,078
1980	1,300	1,280	4,110	Lb-Cwt.	52,615	[1]	[1]

[1]State estimates not available for 1980.

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FIELD CROPS: ACREAGE, YIELD, PRODUCTION, PRICE, AND VALUE

Crop and year	Planted	Harvested	Yield per acre	Unit	Production	Season avg. price per unit	Value of production
	Thous. acres	Thous. acres			Thous. units	Dollars	Thous. dollars
Oats							
1971-80 avg.	79	52	66.0	Bu.	3,430	1.25	4,275
1976	65	55	78.0	Bu.	4,290	1.69	7,250
1977	85	50	70.0	Bu.	3,500	1.25	4,375
1978	80	55	73.0	Bu.	4,015	1.45	5,822
1979	80	34	65.0	Bu.	2,210	1.66	3,669
1980	56	33	63.0	Bu.	2,079	1.85	3,846
Sorghum, grain							
1971-80 avg.	240	204	49.0	Bu.	9,997	1.92	19,209
1976	340	310	50.0	Bu.	15,500	2.10	32,550
1977	285	252	52.0	Bu.	13,104	1.76	23,063
1978	230	200	60.0	Bu	12,000	1.77	21,240
1979	200	176	62.0	Bu.	10,912	2.21	24,116
1980	275	203	29.0	Bu.	5,887	2.88	16,955
Sorghum, forage							
1971-80 avg.	--	14	--	--	--	--	--
1976	--	10	--	--	--	--	--
1977	--	11	--	--	--	--	--
1978	--	13	--	--	--	--	--
1979	--	11	--	--	--	--	--
1980	--	41	--	--	--	--	--
Sorghum, silage							
1971-80 avg.	--	16	10.9	Ton	175	--	--
1976	--	13	9.5	Ton	124	--	--
1977	--	17	10.5	Ton	179	--	--
1978	--	12	10.5	Ton	126	--	--
1979	--	12	13.5	Ton	162	--	--
1980	--	9	9.0	Ton	81	--	--
Soybeans							
1971-80 avg.	4,590	4,492	22.4	Bu.	100,603	5.80	583,858
1976	4,360	4,320	19.0	Bu.	82,080	6.50	533,520
1977	4,650	4,600	23.0	Bu.	105,800	6.15	650,670
1978	4,750	4,700	24.5	Bu.	115,150	6.72	773,808
1979	5,200	5,150	28.0	Bu.	144,200	6.44	928,648
1980	4,800	4,350	16.0	Bu.	69,600	8.05	560,280
Wheat, all							
1971-80 av.	527	438	35.3	Bu.	15,464	2.90	44,871
1976	710	630	39.0	Bu.	24,570	3.14	77,150
1977	825	660	39.0	Bu.	25,740	2.09	53,797
1978	400	300	37.0	Bu.	11,100	2.79	30,969
1979	530	420	35.0	Bu.	14,700	3.71	54,537
1980	900	820	38.0	Bu.	31,160	3.80	118,408

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FIELD CROPS: ACREAGE, YIELD, PRODUCTION, PRICE, AND VALUE (Cont.)

Crop and year	Planted	Harvested	Yield per acre	Unit	Production	Season av. price per unit	Value of production
	Thous. acres	Thous. acres			Thous. units	Dollars	Thous. dollars
Hay, all							
1971-80 av.	--	814	1.72	Ton	1,404	39.45	55,383
1976	--	770	1.67	Ton	1,289	44.50	57,361
1977	--	833	1.80	Ton	1,497	44.00	65,868
1978	--	930	1.72	Ton	1,598	40.50	64,719
1979	--	933	1.90	Ton	1,774	42.50	75,395
1980	--	921	1.33	Ton	1,221	47.00	57,387
Alfalfa hay							
1971-80 av.	--	66	2.64	Ton	174	--	--
1976	--	60	2.55	Ton	153	--	--
1977	--	68	2.90	Ton	197	--	--
1978	--	70	2.55	Ton	179	--	--
1979	--	73	2.50	Ton	183	--	--
1980	--	78	1.60	Ton	125	--	--
All other hay							
1971-80 av.	--	748	1.64	Ton	1,230	--	--
1976	--	710	1.60	Ton	1,136	--	--
1977	--	765	1.70	Ton	1,300	--	--
1978	--	860	1.65	Ton	1,419	--	--
1979	--	860	1.85	Ton	1,591	--	--
1980	--	843	1.30	Ton	1,096	--	--
Lespedeza seed							
1971-80 av.	--	2.9	261	Lb. cwt.	758	38.26	290
1976	--	.8	420	Lb. cwt.	336	53.00	178
1977	--	1.2	420	Lb. cwt.	504	75.00	378
1978	--	2.6	390	Lb. cwt.	1,014	57.50	583
1979	--	2.4	375	Lb. cwt.	900	37.00	333
1980	--	1.5	310	Lb. cwt.	465	63.00	293
Tall fescue seed							
1971-80 av.	--	16.2	279	Lb. cwt.	4,517	15.92	719
1976	--	16.0	280	Lb. cwt.	4,480	18.00	806
1977	--	17.0	290	Lb. cwt.	4,930	22.00	1,085
1978	--	19.0	260	Lb. cwt.	4,948	13.50	667
1979	--	14.0	295	Lb. cwt.	4,130	22.00	909
1980	--	13.0	260	Lb. cwt.	3,380	18.50	625
Sweetpotatoes							
1971-80 av.	1.2	1.2	78	Cwt.	93	8.33	775
1976	1.2	1.2	80	Cwt.	96	9.60	922
1977	1.0	1.0	75	Cwt.	75	9.35	701
1978	.8	.8	80	Cwt.	64	14.70	941
1979	.7	.7	75	Cwt.	53	9.00	477
1980	.7	.6	60	Cwt.	36	10.00	360

SOYBEANS PLANTED

Crop reporting district	1979 Number of reports	1979 Yield per acre	1980 Number of reports	1980 Yield per acre
		BEFORE JUNE 15		
3	280	27.2	249	15.1
6	363	30.5	297	17.4
9	147	29.5	79	14.7
All others	63	27.7	60	9.4
Total	853	29.2	685	15.6
		AFTER JUNE 15		
3	159	23.7	170	14.5
6	265	29.4	154	16.2
9	92	27.1	45	11.4
All others	51	24.6	39	9.7
Total	567	27.7	408	14.6
		BEFORE JUNE 15 FOLLOWING SMALL GRAINS		
3	60	20.9	60	11.1
6	51	31.0	42	18.5
All others	20	31.8	11	18.9
Total	131	26.3	113	15.2
		AFTER JUNE 15 FOLLOWING SMALL GRAINS		
3	60	23.3	99	12.0
6	77	30.1	66	20.3
All others	21	20.7	34	12.1
Total	158	26.8	199	15.4

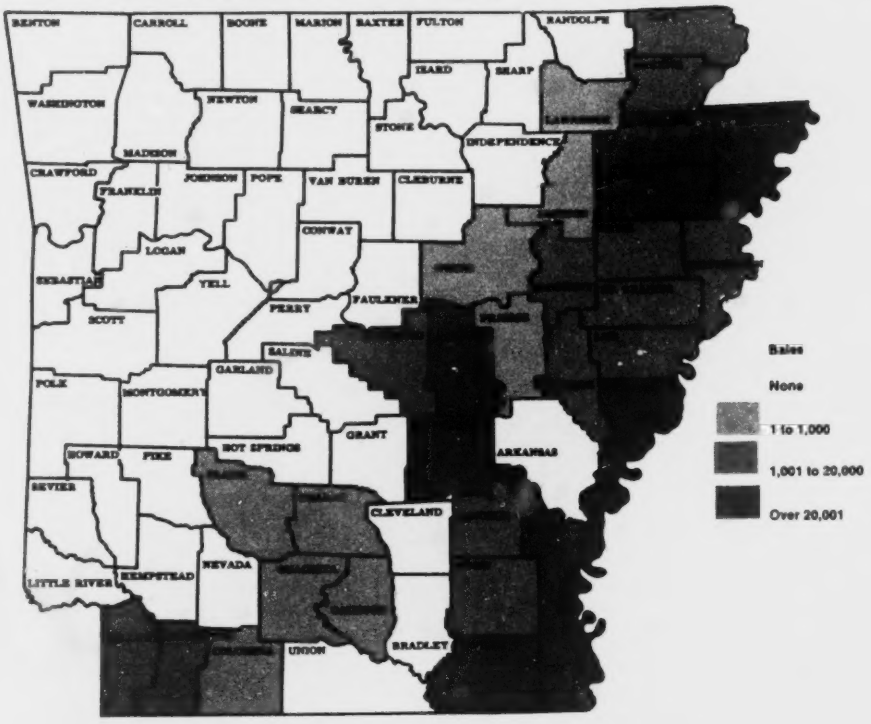
SOYBEAN VARIETIES GROWN IN ARKANSAS

Variety	1973	1974	1975	1976	1977	1978	1979	1980[2]
				Percent of acreage harvested				
Pickett	28.8	31.4	32.9	24.4	21.5	27.6	22.5	10.8
Lee	28.5	25.5	18.1	16.5	13.1	15.4	12.0	7.2
Forrest	[1]	[1]	[1]	15.2	23.5	23.8	27.1	28.8
Davis	18.0	10.3	10.6	11.6	14.4	9.4	6.0	10.1
Bragg	12.3	14.8	16.8	10.4	17.1	9.8	12.0	9.4
Mack	[1]	6.6	8.1	6.7	7.7	4.2	7.0	5.8
Dare	[1]	5.2	4.5	5.5	.7	1.4	[1]	[1]
Hill	[1]	[1]	4.2	[1]	[1]	[1]	1.8	[1]
Hood	[1]	[1]	[1]	[1]	.7	[1]	[1]	[1]
Centennial	[1]	[1]	[1]	[1]	[1]	[1]	4.2	9.0
Bedford	[1]	[1]	[1]	[1]	[1]	[1]	2.8	17.7
Tracy	[1]	[1]	[1]	[1]	[1]	[1]	3.5	[1]
Other	12.4	6.2	4.8	9.7	1.3	8.4	1.1	1.2
				Acreage				
Pickett	1,339	1,350	1,546	1,054	989	1,297	1,159	470
Lee	1,325	1,096	851	713	603	724	618	313
Forrest	[1]	[1]	[1]	657	1,081	1,119	1,395	1,253
Davis	837	443	498	501	662	442	309	439
Bragg	572	636	790	449	787	460	618	409
Mack	[1]	284	381	289	354	197	361	252
Dare	[1]	224	211	238	32	66	[1]	[1]
Hill	[1]	[1]	197	[1]	[1]	[1]	93	[1]
Hood	[1]	[1]	[1]	[1]	32	[1]	[1]	[1]
Centennial	[1]	[1]	[1]	[1]	[1]	[1]	216	392
Bedford	[1]	[1]	[1]	[1]	[1]	[1]	144	770
Tracy	[1]	[1]	[1]	[1]	[1]	[1]	180	[1]
Other	577	267	226	419	60	395	57	52
Total	4,650	4,300	4,700	4,320	4,600	4,700	5,150	4,350

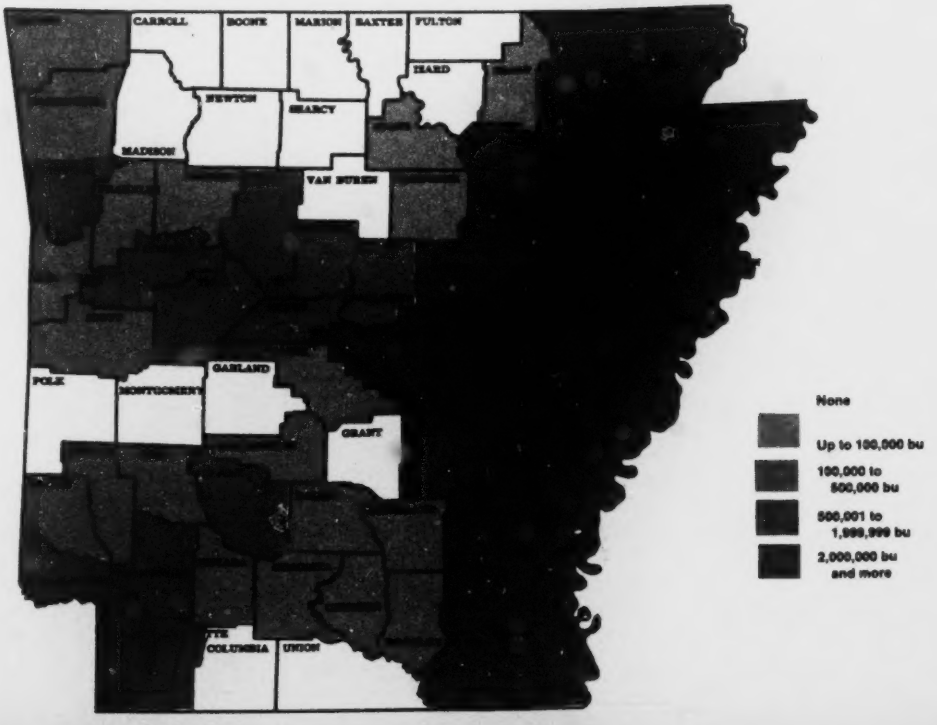
[1]Less than 0.4 percent of total. Undisclosed varieties, other than those listed, include Semmes, York, Dortchsoy, Ogden, and Jackson; these varieties are included in the "other" category.
[2]Preliminary data.

Field Crops: Distribution of Cotton and Soybean Production in Arkansas, 1980

1980 COTTON PRODUCTION, 444,000 BALES



1980 SOYBEAN PRODUCTION, 69,600,000 BUSHELS



COTTON: ACREAGE, YIELD, AND PRODUCTION, BY COUNTIES, 1979 CROP

District and county	Acreage		Yield per acre		Production 480-lb net weight bales
	Planted	Harvested	Planted	Harvested	
	Acres	Acres	Pounds	Pounds	Bales
DISTRICT 3					
Clay	12,100	10,000	369	446	9,300
Craighead	55,600	43,700	400	509	46,300
Greene	14,000	13,000	377	406	11,000
Jackson	2,900	1,560	199	369	1,200
Lawrence	1,400	1,050	319	425	930
Mississippi	62,000	42,300	363	532	46,900
Poinsett	50,900	38,500	384	507	40,700
Randolph	70	60	343	400	50
White	30	30	320	320	20
Total	199,000	150,200	377	500	156,400
DISTRICT 4					
Franklin	30	30	240	240	15
Johnson	30	30	240	240	15
Yell	160	160	240	240	80
Total	220	220	240	240	110
DISTRICT 5					
Pulaski	5,650	3,850	320	470	3,770
Total	5,650	3,850	320	470	3,770
DISTRICT 6					
Crittenden	23,900	22,300	412	441	20,500
Cross	2,450	1,700	333	480	1,700
Lee	20,100	18,600	427	462	17,900
Lonoke	31,400	27,500	414	473	27,100
Monroe	26,200	22,500	449	523	24,500
Phillips	27,200	23,500	542	627	30,700
Prairie	1,350	800	249	420	700
Saint Francis	12,100	10,800	432	484	10,900
Woodruff	14,600	11,600	270	339	8,200
Total	159,300	139,300	428	490	142,200
DISTRICT 7					
Lafayette	8,700	8,700	607	607	11,000
Miller	2,600	2,600	591	591	3,200
Total	11,300	11,300	603	603	14,200
DISTRICT 8					
Bradley	60	60	600	600	75
Clark	260	260	406	406	220
Columbia	100	100	192	192	40
Dallas	570	570	307	307	365
Ouachita	540	540	373	373	420
Total	1,530	1,530	351	351	1,120
DISTRICT 9					
Ashley	50,400	49,300	677	692	71,100
Chicot	22,500	21,700	574	595	26,900
Desha	47,900	44,800	602	644	60,100
Drew	17,700	16,700	553	586	20,400
Jefferson	69,500	66,400	547	572	79,200
Lincoln	25,000	24,700	586	593	30,500
Total	233,000	223,600	594	619	288,200
STATE	610,000	530,000	477	549	606,000

COTTON: ACREAGE, YIELD, AND PRODUCTION, BY COUNTIES, 1980 CROP

District and county	Acreage		Yield per acre		Production 480-lb. net weight bales
	Planted	Harvested	Planted	Harvested	
	Acres	Acres	Pounds	Pounds	Bales
DISTRICT 3					
Clay	17,200	16,000	261	281	9,350
Craighead	72,200	67,600	146	156	21,900
Greene	15,600	14,800	220	232	7,150
Jackson	2,200	1,900	109	126	500
Lawrence	1,100	1,000	118	130	270
Mississippi	96,300	88,000	282	308	56,500
Poinsett	56,700	52,000	210	229	24,800
White	200	200	72	72	30
Total	261,500	241,500	221	240	120,500
DISTRICT 5					
Pulaski	2,600	2,400	378	410	2,050
Total	2,600	2,400	378	410	2,050
DISTRICT 6					
Crittenden	25,000	22,500	371	412	19,300
Cross	3,300	2,800	192	226	1,320
Lee	23,500	22,000	341	364	16,700
Lonoke	26,000	23,000	419	474	22,700
Monroe	29,000	27,400	293	310	17,700
Phillips	36,500	33,500	392	427	29,800
Prairie	1,200	1,100	192	209	480
Saint Francis	14,500	13,800	367	386	11,100
Woodruff	11,000	9,400	175	204	4,000
Total	170,000	155,500	348	380	123,100
DISTRICT 7					
Lafayette	11,000	9,800	325	365	7,450
Miller	3,400	2,900	296	348	2,100
Total	14,400	12,700	318	361	9,550
DISTRICT 8					
Calhoun	240	210	90	103	45
Clark	330	310	73	77	50
Cleveland	370	--	--	--	--
Columbia	120	110	160	175	40
Dallas	920	860	52	56	100
Ouachita	450	350	59	75	55
Other counties	70	60	69	80	10
Total	2,500	1,900	58	76	300
DISTRICT 9					
Ashley	54,500	51,600	347	367	39,400
Chicot	28,000	25,300	358	397	20,900
Desha	52,000	48,400	471	506	51,000
Drew	18,500	17,200	350	377	13,500
Jefferson	67,500	62,300	326	353	45,800
Lincoln	28,500	26,200	301	328	17,900
Total	249,000	231,000	363	392	188,500
STATE	700,000	645,000	304	330	444,000

SOYBEANS FOR BEANS: ACREAGE, YIELD, AND PRODUCTION BY COUNTIES, 1980 CROP

District and county	Harvested		
	Acreage	Yield per acre	Production
	Acres	Bu.	Bu.
DISTRICT 1			
Benton	1,200	12.0	14,000
Washington	400	10.0	4,000
Other counties	200	10.0	2,000
Total	1,800	11.0	20,000
DISTRICT 2			
Cleburne	2,000	14.0	27,600
Sharp	1,300	10.0	13,000
Stone	700	10.0	7,000
Other counties	200	12.0	2,400
Total	4,200	12.0	50,000
DISTRICT 3			
Clay	115,000	15.0	1,725,000
Craighead	145,000	14.0	2,016,000
Greene	83,000	14.0	1,162,000
Independence	60,000	11.0	660,000
Jackson	185,000	13.0	2,405,000
Lawrence	97,000	14.0	1,358,000
Mississippi	350,000	19.0	6,650,000
Poinsett	195,000	22.0	4,290,000
Randolph	50,000	14.0	700,000
White	140,000	12.0	1,680,000
Total	1,420,000	16.0	22,646,000
DISTRICT 4			
Crawford	21,500	13.0	280,000
Franklin	3,200	16.0	51,000
Johnson	5,400	15.0	81,000
Logan	7,600	11.0	86,000
Pope	13,000	13.0	175,000
Scott	700	13.0	9,000
Sebastian	4,100	14.0	58,000
Yell	18,500	11.0	210,000
Total	74,000	13.0	950,000
DISTRICT 5			
Conway	26,000	12.0	320,000
Faulkner	27,000	11.0	305,000
Hot Spring	5,100	13.0	66,000
Perry	10,000	13.0	130,000
Pulaski	54,000	12.0	655,000
Saline	1,300	13.0	17,000
Other counties	600	12.0	7,000
Total	124,000	12.0	1,500,000
DISTRICT 6			
Arkansas	210,000	20.0	4,200,000
Crittenden	275,000	19.0	5,225,000
Cross	175,000	19.0	3,325,000
Lee	175,000	18.0	3,150,000
Lonoke	165,000	15.0	2,475,000
Monroe	105,000	17.0	1,782,000
Phillips	260,000	17.0	4,420,000
Prairie	155,000	17.0	2,635,000
St. Francis	185,000	16.0	2,960,000
Woodruff	190,000	14.0	2,660,000
Total	1,895,000	17.0	32,832,000
DISTRICT 7			
Hempstead	28,500	12.0	330,000
Howard	1,200	13.0	15,000
Lafayette	24,000	12.0	285,000
Little River	31,500	12.0	375,000
Miller	46,500	15.0	695,000
Pike	5,600	15.0	85,000
Sevier	2,700	13.0	35,000
Total	140,000	13.0	1,820,000
DISTRICT 8			
Bradley	2,100	10.0	21,000
Calhoun	1,500	8.0	12,000
Clark	29,500	13.0	383,000
Cleveland	1,000	14.0	14,000
Dallas	1,600	8.0	13,000
Nevada	7,000	12.0	84,000
Ouachita	2,600	7.0	18,000
Other counties	700	10.0	7,000
Total	46,000	12.0	552,000
DISTRICT 9			
Ashley	66,000	12.0	792,000
Chicot	185,000	16.0	2,923,000
Desha	160,000	15.0	2,400,000
Drew	45,000	12.0	540,000
Jefferson	118,000	14.0	1,652,000
Lincoln	71,000	13.0	923,000
Total	645,000	14.0	9,230,000
STATE	4,350,000	16.0	69,600,000

CORN: ACREAGE, YIELD, AND PRODUCTION, BY COUNTIES, 1980 CROP

District and county	Harvested for Grain		
	Acreage	Yield per acre	Production
	Acres	Bu.	Bu.
DISTRICT 1			
Benton	700	27.0	19,000
Boone	300	28.0	8,400
Madison	300	28.0	8,400
Washington	400	25.0	10,000
Other counties	200	26.0	5,200
Total	1,900	27.0	51,000
DISTRICT 2			
Cleburne	300	28.0	8,400
Marion	400	25.0	10,000
Searcy	300	29.0	8,600
Other counties	1,000	27.0	27,000
Total	2,000	27.0	54,000
DISTRICT 3			
Clay	4,800	29.0	139,000
Craighead	2,800	24.0	67,000
Greene	1,400	24.0	34,000
Independence	400	25.0	10,000
Jackson	800	24.0	19,000
Lawrence	600	25.0	15,000
Mississippi	1,100	28.0	31,000
Poinsett	500	24.0	12,000
Randolph	200	25.0	5,000
White	1,400	23.0	32,000
Total	14,000	26.0	364,000
DISTRICT 4			
Crawford	400	30.0	12,000
Pope	300	26.0	7,800
Scott	300	27.0	8,200
Yell	500	28.0	14,000
Other counties	500	28.0	14,000
Total	2,000	28.0	56,000
DISTRICT 5			
Conway	400	25.0	10,000
Hot Spring	400	23.0	9,000
Perry	400	25.0	10,000
Other counties	1,100	28.0	31,000
Total	2,300	26.0	60,000
DISTRICT 6			
Crittenden	700	30.0	21,000
Cross	700	34.0	24,000
Lee	400	25.0	10,000
Lonoke	100	30.0	3,000
Phillips	400	30.0	12,000
Prairie	300	30.0	9,000
St. Francis	300	30.0	9,000
Woodruff	2,800	34.0	95,000
Other counties	300	30.0	9,000
Total	6,000	32.0	192,000
DISTRICT 7			
Hempstead	400	25.0	10,000
Howard	900	31.0	28,000
Miller	300	30.0	9,000
Montgomery	300	25.0	7,500
Other counties	400	26.0	10,500
Total	2,300	28.0	65,000
DISTRICT 8			
Bradley	400	30.0	12,000
Calhoun	200	20.0	4,000
Cleveland	400	25.0	10,000
Nevada	300	23.0	7,000
Ouachita	500	26.0	13,000
Other counties	700	23.0	16,000
Total	2,500	25.0	62,000
DISTRICT 9			
Ashley	400	28.0	11,000
Chicot	600	25.0	15,000
Desha	800	39.0	31,000
Drew	500	30.0	15,000
Jefferson	900	40.0	36,000
Lincoln	800	30.0	24,000
Total	4,000	33.0	132,000
STATE	37,000	28.0	1,036,000

ARKANSAS: ACREAGE, YIELD, PRODUCTION, AND VALUE OF PRINCIPAL FIELD CROPS, 1979 AND 1980

Crop	Harvested acreage		Unit	Yield per acre		Production		Season average price		Value of production	
	1979	1980		1979	1980	1979	1980	1979	1980	1979	1980
	Thousand acres			Units		Thousand units		Dollars		Thousand dollars	
FIELD CROPS											
Corn for grain	35	37	Bu.	58.0	28.0	2,030	1,036	2.70	3.55	5,481	3,678
Cotton	530	645	Lb/bale[1]	549	330	606	444	.6530	.7710	189,945	164,316
Cottonseed	--	--	Ton	--	--	215	181	133.00	129.00	28,595	23,349
Hay, all	933	921	Ton	1.90	1.33	1,774	1,221	42.50	47.00	75,395	57,387
Lespedeza seed	2.4	1.5	Lb/cwt.	375	310	900	465	37.00	63.00	333	293
Oats	34	33	Bu.	65.0	63.0	2,210	2,079	1.66	1.85	3,669	3,846
Rice	1,020	1,280	Lb/bag[2]	4,320	4,110	44,064	52,615	10.60	[3]	467,078	[3]
Sorghum for grain	176	203	Bu.	62.0	29.0	10,912	5,887	2.21	2.88	24,116	16,955
Soybeans for beans	5,150	4,350	Bu.	28.0	16.0	144,200	69,600	6.44	8.05	928,648	560,280
Sweet potatoes	0.7	0.6	Cwt.	75	60	53	36	9.00	10.00	477	360
Tall fescue seed	14.0	13.0	Lb/cwt.	295	260	4,130	3,380	22.00	18.50	909	625
Wheat, all	420	820	Bu.	35.0	38.0	14,700	31,160	3.71	3.80	54,537	118,408
TOTAL FIELD CROPS	8,315.1	8,304.1	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	1,779,183	949,497

[1]Yield in pounds of lint per acre; production in equivalent 480-pound net weight bales.
[2]Yield in pounds per acre; production and price in equivalent 100-pound bags.
[3]State estimates not available.

RICE: ACREAGE, YIELD, AND PRODUCTION, BY COUNTIES, 1979 CROP, REVISED

District and county	Acreage		Yield per acre		Production
	Planted	Harvested	Planted	Harvested	
	Acres	Acres	Pounds	Pounds	Equivalent 100-pound bags
DISTRICT 3					
Clay	35,000	34,600	3,700	3,740	1,294,400
Craighead	61,500	61,000	4,100	4,130	2,522,100
Greene	36,500	36,100	3,900	3,950	1,425,200
Independence	2,800	2,700	3,450	3,570	96,500
Jackson	64,500	64,300	4,030	4,040	2,596,800
Lawrence	45,000	44,600	4,120	4,160	1,853,900
Mississippi	7,700	7,600	4,140	4,190	318,800
Poinsett	92,000	90,900	4,810	4,870	4,426,600
Randolph	11,500	11,400	4,800	4,840	551,500
White	20,500	19,800	3,720	3,850	761,800
Total	377,000	373,000	4,200	4,250	15,847,600
DISTRICT 4					
Yell	1,800	1,800	4,120	4,120	74,200
Other counties	1,200	1,200	4,250	4,250	51,000
Total	3,000	3,000	4,170	4,170	125,200
DISTRICT 5					
Conway	800	700	3,490	3,990	27,900
Faulkner	2,900	2,500	3,310	3,840	96,000
Hot Spring	900	900	4,290	4,290	38,600
Perry	1,800	1,600	3,880	4,360	69,800
Pulaski	5,600	5,300	3,800	4,020	212,900
Total	12,000	11,000	3,710	4,050	445,200
DISTRICT 6					
Arkansas	105,500	104,200	4,950	5,010	5,222,800
Crittenden	9,700	9,500	3,390	3,460	329,000
Cross	61,000	60,600	5,050	5,090	3,083,400
Lee	26,000	25,800	3,720	3,750	968,200
Lonoke	75,000	74,500	3,830	3,850	2,869,500
Monroe	35,500	35,500	3,940	3,940	1,398,400
Phillips	6,300	6,200	4,460	4,530	281,000
Prairie	60,000	59,400	4,870	4,920	2,923,500
St. Francis	36,500	35,800	3,950	4,030	1,441,300
Woodruff	42,500	42,500	3,980	3,980	1,693,100
Total	458,000	454,000	4,410	4,450	20,210,200
DISTRICT 7					
Lafayette	5,300	5,300	4,100	4,100	217,300
Little River	800	800	3,800	3,800	30,400
Miller	3,700	3,700	3,920	3,920	145,000
Other counties	200	200	3,550	3,550	7,100
Total	10,000	10,000	4,000	4,000	399,800
DISTRICT 8					
Clark	2,900	2,900	3,970	3,970	115,000
Other counties	100	100	3,600	3,600	3,600
Total	3,000	3,000	3,950	3,950	118,600
DISTRICT 9					
Ashley	21,500	21,400	4,080	4,100	877,100
Chicot	30,000	30,000	4,500	4,500	1,349,700
Desha	35,000	35,000	4,070	4,070	1,426,200
Drew	14,000	13,700	4,160	4,250	582,000
Jefferson	43,000	42,500	4,270	4,320	1,834,100
Lincoln	23,500	23,400	3,610	3,630	848,300
Total	167,000	166,000	4,140	4,170	6,917,400
STATE	1,030,000	1,020,000	4,280	4,320	44,064,000

RICE: ACREAGE, YIELD, AND PRODUCTION, BY COUNTIES, 1980 CROP

District and county	Acreage		Yield per acre		Production
	Planted	Harvested	Planted	Harvested	
	Acres	Acres	Pounds	Pounds	Equivalent 100-pound bags
DISTRICT 3					
Clay	54,000	53,500	4,100	4,130	2,211,200
Craighead	76,000	75,000	4,150	4,200	3,150,000
Greene	48,000	47,000	3,820	3,900	1,834,400
Independence	6,000	6,000	3,830	3,830	229,700
Jackson	74,000	73,000	3,850	3,910	2,852,100
Lawrence	55,000	54,000	4,180	4,260	2,299,900
Mississippi	11,000	11,000	4,150	4,150	456,000
Poinsett	105,000	103,000	4,370	4,450	4,585,200
Randolph	17,000	17,000	4,370	4,370	742,900
White	29,000	28,500	3,890	3,950	1,127,100
Total	475,000	468,000	4,100	4,160	19,488,500
DISTRICT 4					
Franklin	500	500	3,440	3,440	17,200
Johnson	500	500	4,060	4,060	20,300
Pope	600	600	4,000	4,000	24,000
Yell	2,100	2,100	4,400	4,400	92,400
Other counties	300	300	3,500	3,500	10,500
Total	4,000	4,000	4,110	4,110	164,400
DISTRICT 5					
Conway	2,000	1,900	4,600	4,840	91,900
Faulkner	4,000	3,900	4,220	4,330	168,900
Hot Spring	1,400	1,400	3,110	3,110	43,600
Perry	3,000	2,900	3,580	3,700	107,400
Pulaski	8,600	8,400	4,010	4,110	344,900
Total	19,000	18,500	3,980	4,090	756,700
DISTRICT 6					
Arkansas	127,000	124,500	4,310	4,400	5,475,700
Crittenden	12,000	12,000	3,860	3,860	463,200
Cross	71,000	70,000	4,320	4,380	3,066,000
Lee	33,000	32,500	4,130	4,190	1,361,800
Lonoke	99,500	98,000	4,120	4,190	4,104,400
Monroe	44,000	43,500	3,960	4,000	1,740,000
Phillips	17,500	17,500	4,010	4,010	701,800
Prairie	68,000	66,500	4,520	4,620	3,072,300
St. Francis	42,500	42,000	3,880	3,930	1,649,800
Woodruff	51,500	50,500	3,690	3,760	1,898,800
Total	566,000	557,000	4,160	4,230	23,533,800
DISTRICT 7					
Lafayette	6,900	6,700	3,970	4,080	273,600
Little River	1,600	1,500	3,410	3,630	54,500
Miller	4,000	3,800	3,600	3,780	143,800
Other counties	500	500	3,620	3,620	18,100
Total	13,000	12,500	3,770	3,920	490,000
DISTRICT 8					
Clark	3,500	3,500	3,720	3,720	130,100
Dallas	500	500	3,700	3,700	18,500
Ouachita	1,000	1,000	3,510	3,510	35,100
Total	5,000	5,000	3,670	3,670	183,700
DISTRICT 9					
Ashley	28,000	27,600	3,170	3,220	888,700
Chicot	39,000	38,500	3,660	3,710	1,428,400
Desha	46,000	45,500	3,810	3,860	1,754,400
Drew	22,000	21,800	3,370	3,410	742,300
Jefferson	54,000	53,000	3,890	3,960	2,098,800
Lincoln	29,000	28,600	3,740	3,790	1,085,300
Total	218,000	215,000	3,670	3,720	7,997,900
STATE	1,300,000	1,280,000	4,050	4,110	52,615,000

SORGHUM: ACREAGE, YIELD, AND PRODUCTION, BY COUNTIES, 1980 CROP

District and county	Harvested for Grain		
	Acreage	Yield per acre	Production
	Acres	Bu.	
DISTRICT 1			
Benton	300	30.0	9,000
Madison	300	30.0	9,000
Other counties	400	28.0	11,000
Total	1,000	29.0	29,000
DISTRICT 2			
Cleburne	300	29.0	8,700
Sharp	300	26.0	7,900
Van Buren	500	28.0	14,000
Other counties	300	28.0	8,400
Total	1,400	28.0	39,000
DISTRICT 3			
Clay	53,000	27.0	1,431,000
Craighead	13,000	32.0	416,000
Greene	27,000	30.0	810,000
Independence	3,000	30.0	90,000
Jackson	6,700	30.0	201,000
Lawrence	18,000	28.0	504,000
Mississippi	9,000	35.0	315,000
Poinsett	4,300	35.0	150,000
Randolph	14,000	26.0	364,000
White	4,000	31.0	124,000
Total	152,000	29.0	4,405,000
DISTRICT 4			
Logan	1,500	30.0	45,000
Pope	400	30.0	12,000
Yell	3,400	30.0	102,000
Other counties	200	30.0	6,000
Total	5,500	30.0	165,000
DISTRICT 5			
Conway	800	26.0	21,000
Faulkner	600	25.0	15,000
Perry	900	23.0	21,000
Other counties	300	27.0	8,000
Total	2,600	25.0	65,000
DISTRICT 6			
Arkansas	900	27.0	24,000
Crittenden	1,700	33.0	56,000
Cross	10,000	31.0	310,000
Lee	2,400	30.0	72,000
Lonoke	700	30.0	21,000
Monroe	600	30.0	18,000
Phillips	500	30.0	15,000
Prairie	1,200	32.0	38,000
Saint Francis	3,300	30.0	99,000
Woodruff	4,700	27.0	127,000
Total	26,000	30.0	780,000
DISTRICT 7			
Hempstead	1,500	32.0	48,000
Howard	300	30.0	9,000
Lafayette	1,300	30.0	39,000
Little River	1,100	27.0	30,000
Miller	4,500	28.0	126,000
Other counties	300	30.0	9,000
Total	9,000	29.0	261,000
DISTRICT 8			
Clark	300	26.0	7,800
Other counties	200	26.0	5,200
Total	500	26.0	13,000
DISTRICT 9			
Desha	500	30.0	15,000
Drew	1,500	26.0	39,000
Jefferson	1,400	24.0	34,000
Lincoln	1,400	26.0	37,000
Other counties	200	25.0	5,000
Total	5,000	26.0	130,000
STATE TOTAL	203,000	29.0	5,887,000

WHEAT: ACREAGE, YIELD, AND PRODUCTION, BY COUNTIES, 1980 CROP

District and county	Harvested for Grain		
	Acre-age	Yield per acre	Production
	Acres	Bu.	Bu.
DISTRICT 1			
Benton	700	33.0	23,000
Other counties	100	30.0	3,000
Total	800	33.0	26,000
DISTRICT 2			
Total	600	30.0	18,000
DISTRICT 3			
Clay	47,000	39.0	1,835,000
Craighead	36,000	36.0	1,295,000
Greene	27,500	43.0	1,185,000
Independence	11,500	38.0	437,000
Jackson	38,000	36.0	1,370,000
Lawrence	17,000	42.0	715,000
Mississippi	112,000	41.0	4,590,000
Poinsett	25,500	42.0	1,075,000
Randolph	12,000	41.0	493,000
White	18,500	33.0	610,000
Total	345,000	39.0	13,605,000
DISTRICT 4			
Crawford	2,500	38.0	95,000
Franklin	1,000	37.0	37,000
Johnson	400	36.0	14,300
Logan	1,600	35.0	56,000
Pope	2,400	34.0	81,500
Sebastian	800	34.0	27,000
Yell	2,700	33.0	89,000
Other counties	100	32.0	3,200
Total	11,500	35.0	403,000
DISTRICT 5			
Conway	4,300	36.0	155,000
Faulkner	2,600	33.0	86,000
Perry	1,700	31.0	52,500
Pulaski	17,000	34.0	578,000
Other counties	400	34.0	13,500
Total	26,000	34.0	885,000
DISTRICT 6			
Arkansas	4,500	39.0	175,000
Crittenden	49,500	36.0	1,780,000
Cross	39,000	37.0	1,445,000
Lee	28,500	37.0	1,055,000
Lonoke	30,500	38.0	1,160,000
Monroe	11,500	35.0	405,000
Phillips	57,500	40.0	2,295,000
Prairie	14,500	40.0	580,000
Saint Francis	40,000	40.0	1,600,000
Woodruff	29,500	37.0	1,090,000
Total	305,000	38.0	11,585,000
DISTRICT 7			
Hempstead	1,000	37.0	37,000
Lafayette	13,000	39.0	505,000
Little River	9,000	41.0	370,000
Miller	16,500	38.0	630,000
Pike	300	35.0	10,500
Other counties	200	38.0	7,500
Total	40,000	39.0	1,560,000
DISTRICT 8			
Bradley	900	28.0	25,000
Clark	2,300	30.0	70,000
Nevada	600	32.0	19,000
Other counties	800	30.0	24,000
Total	4,600	30.0	138,000
DISTRICT 9			
Ashley	1,600	35.0	56,000
Chicot	31,500	32.0	1,020,000
Desha	16,500	32.0	530,000
Drew	5,900	32.0	189,000
Jefferson	20,000	38.0	760,000
Lincoln	11,000	35.0	385,000
Total	86,500	34.0	2,940,000
STATE	820,000	38.0	31,160,000

PRICES RECEIVED BY FARMERS

Commodity and year[1]	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
						Cents per pound						
Cotton lint												
1971-80 av.	44.5	46.8	47.8	48.2	49.7	47.2	48.7	55.7	48.3	51.1	50.2	50.6
1978	48.7	49.6	51.0	49.2	55.4	53.9	54.5	56.2	56.9	60.4	61.7	61.0
1979	58.9	58.8	56.3	57.7	59.8	60.9	59.8	58.7	61.1	61.9	62.2	63.5
1980	66.9	76.0	82.3	79.2	78.4	65.7	75.1	68.3	73.7	76.2	77.1	79.5
						Dollars per ton						
Cottonseed												
1971-80 av.	89.50	76.17	70.20	--	--	--	--	--	83.29	98.70	99.20	97.60
1978	72.00	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	114.00	114.00	124.00	121.00
1979	122.00	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	132.00	127.00
1980	120.00	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	130.00	129.00	130.00	130.00
All hay, baled												
1971-80 av.	38.69	40.00	39.74	39.75	38.15	37.75	36.70	36.90	38.65	39.65	40.40	41.30
1978	36.50	42.00	39.00	41.00	39.00	40.50	36.50	37.00	37.00	40.50	42.00	43.00
1979	44.00	44.00	43.00	50.00	44.50	43.50	39.00	41.50	41.50	43.50	42.00	47.50
1980	44.50	44.00	44.00	40.00	40.00	39.00	42.00	43.00	42.00	52.50	53.50	54.00
						Dollars per bushel						
Corn												
1971-80 av.	2.26	2.26	2.25	2.26	2.31	2.34	2.42	2.50	2.39	2.43	2.42	2.47
1978	2.20	2.30	2.40	2.47	2.58	2.56	2.63	2.49	2.29	2.25	2.34	2.30
1979	2.45	2.49	2.43	2.65	2.70	2.72	3.04	2.85	2.66	2.72	2.75	2.83
1980	2.72	2.40	2.49	2.55	2.75	2.59	2.91	2.98	3.20	3.37	3.57	3.66
Oats												
1971-80 av.	1.27	1.29	1.23	1.25	1.19	1.30	1.27	1.33	1.34	1.35	1.36	1.41
1978	--	--	--	--	1.40	1.26	--	--	--	--	--	--
1979	--	--	--	--	--	1.80	1.38	--	1.37	--	--	1.53
1980	1.43	1.50	--	1.53	--	1.60	1.51	1.78	1.95	1.90	2.00	2.00
Soybeans												
1971-80 av.	5.34	5.45	5.64	5.67	5.92	6.02	5.81	6.17	5.87	5.80	5.69	5.77
1978	6.24	5.76	6.35	6.72	7.15	6.74	6.43	6.28	6.39	6.41	6.51	6.67
1979	6.77	7.19	7.29	6.90	7.21	7.58	7.38	7.55	6.80	6.30	6.37	6.57
1980	6.52	6.46	6.10	5.90	5.92	6.00	6.98	7.55	7.70	8.19	8.46	8.02
Wheat												
1971-80 av.	2.81	2.76	2.92	2.51	2.59	2.68	2.82	3.02	3.14	3.25	3.19	3.15
1978	2.35	2.45	--	--	--	2.72	3.03	3.11	--	3.09	3.18	--
1979	--	--	3.01	3.07	3.27	3.68	3.78	4.06	4.06	3.83	3.60	3.79
1980	3.79	--	3.80	3.54	3.75	3.74	3.87	3.98	4.25	4.30	4.22	4.30
						Dollars per 100 pounds						
Sorghum, grain												
1971-80 av.	3.48	3.48	3.57	3.51	3.55	3.57	3.62	3.61	3.46	3.48	3.56	3.67
1978	--	--	3.48	3.60	3.80	3.80	3.59	3.32	3.00	3.09	3.26	3.36
1979	3.51	3.53	3.56	--	3.63	3.75	4.03	3.96	3.77	3.92	3.82	4.23
1980	4.30	4.40	4.25	4.20	4.27	4.22	4.56	4.77	5.14	4.99	5.20	5.06
Sweet potatoes												
1971-80 av.	8.32	8.16	8.24	8.49	7.85	7.83	7.10	6.94	7.81	8.86	9.32	9.36
1978	9.90	9.50	11.15	10.00	6.80	6.75	5.00	4.74	--	13.40	14.20	15.95
1979	16.00	14.00	15.10	14.00	9.65	8.00	8.00	7.65	8.25	9.75	9.95	9.45
1980	10.00	--	--	--	10.85	11.35	8.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	12.10

[1]1980 preliminary data.

FRUITS AND NUTS: PRODUCTION, SEASON AVERAGE PRICE, AND VALUE OF PRODUCTION

Crop	Year	Unit	Production	Season average price per unit	Value of production
			Thous. units	Dollars	Thous. dollars
Apples, com'l[1]	1971-80 av.	Lb.	13,380	.0925	1,237
	1976	Lb.	11,000	.1110	1,221
	1977	Lb.	23,500	.0880	2,068
	1978	Lb.	13,000	.1090	1,417
	1979	Lb.	23,000	.1150	2,645
	1980	Lb.	5,000	.0830	415
Grapes	1971-80 av.	Ton	8.4	185.95	1,562
	1976	Ton	6.5	169.00	1,099
	1977	Ton	9.6	232.00	2,227
	1978	Ton	8.2	217.00	1,779
	1979	Ton	8.2	161.00	1,320
	1980	Ton	6.6	170.00	1,122
Peaches	1971-80 av.	Lb.	35,410	.1149	4,070
	1976	Lb.	41,100	.1160	4,768
	1977	Lb.	39,000	.1130	4,407
	1978	Lb.	36,000	.1250	4,500
	1979	Lb.	35,000	.1380	4,830
	1980	Lb.	27,000	.1350	3,645
Pecans, seedlings	1971-80 av.	Lb.	2,213	.396	876
	1976	Lb.	300	.610	183
	1977	Lb.	2,100	.500	1,050
	1978	Lb.	2,200	.600	1,320
	1979	Lb.	1,100	.440	484
	1980	Lb.	660	.757	500
Pecans, improved	1971-80 av.	Lb.	747	.602	450
	1976	Lb.	700	.850	595
	1977	Lb.	900	.750	675
	1978	Lb.	1,000	.810	810
	1979	Lb.	400	.680	272
	1980	Lb.	240	1.010	242
Pecans, all	1971-80 av.	Lb.	2,960	.448	1,326
	1976	Lb.	1,000	.778	778
	1977	Lb.	3,000	.575	1,725
	1978	Lb.	3,200	.666	2,130
	1979	Lb.	1,500	.504	756
	1980	Lb.	900	.824	742

[1]Estimates of the commercial apple crop refer to production of apples in commercial orchards of 100 or more bearing trees.

COMMERCIAL VEGETABLES: ACREAGE, YIELD, PRODUCTION, PRICE, AND VALUE

Crop and year	Harvested	Yield per acre	Unit	Production	Season av. price per unit	Value of production
	Acres			Thous. units	Dollars	Thous. dollars
FRESH MARKET						
Tomatoes						
1971-80 av.	3,250	108	Cwt.	352	26.45	9,309
1976	3,700	118	Cwt.	437	25.59	11,183
1977	3,800	90	Cwt.	342	18.07	6,179
1978	3,100	86	Cwt.	266	25.06	6,666
1979	3,100	130	Cwt.	402	29.35	11,798
1980	2,700	89	Cwt.	241	32.77	7,897
Watermelons						
1971-80 av.	4,300	80	Cwt.	342	2.99	1,022
1976	4,400	65	Cwt.	286	3.80	1,087
1977	3,600	71	Cwt.	256	3.70	947
1978	3,600	100	Cwt.	360	3.50	1,260
1979	3,300	95	Cwt.	314	3.30	1,036
1980	2,000	40	Cwt.	80	4.52	362
Strawberries (all)						
1971-80 av.	1,000	3,490	Lb.	3,490	.338	1,179
1976	1,100	4,500	Lb.	5,000	.350	1,750
1977	900	4,800	Lb.	4,300	.358	1,539
1978	900	4,700	Lb.	4,200	.300	1,260
1979	400	4,400	Lb.	1,800	.428	770
1980	400	6,400	Lb.	2,600	.305	793
PROCESSING						
Snap beans						
1975	4,000	2.6	Ton	10.3	144.00	1,483
1976	3,600	2.4	Ton	8.8	148.00	1,295
1977	4,700	1.8	Ton	8.5	120.00	1,014
1978	3,900	1.9	Ton	7.4	103.00	757
1979[1]	--	--	--	--	--	--
1980[1]	--	--	--	--	--	--
Spinach (spring crop)						
1975	1,400	4.7	Ton	6.6	80.90	534
1976	1,300	5.2	Ton	6.7	80.30	538
1977	2,100	4.7	Ton	9.8	80.70	791
1978	1,400	6.0	Ton	8.4	80.40	675
1979[1]	--	--	--	--	--	--
1980[1]	--	--	--	--	--	--
Spinach (fall crop)						
1975	550	4.4	Ton	2.4	90.00	216
1976	350	4.7	Ton	1.7	90.00	149
1977	240	4.6	Ton	1.1	90.00	99
1978	400	3.6	Ton	1.5	81.40	118
1979[1]	--	--	--	--	--	--
1980[1]	--	--	--	--	--	--

[1]Not published to avoid disclosing individual operations.

INVENTORY OF LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY ON FARMS, JANUARY 1

Class	Number on farms		Farm value per head		Total farm value	
	1980	1981	1980	1981	1980	1981
	Thousand head		Dollars		Thousand dollars	
Cattle and calves	2,050	2,300	445.00	380.00	912,250	874,000
Milk cows[1]	81	80	--	--	--	--
Chickens[2]	27,000	27,450	2.15	2.20	58,050	60,390
Hogs, including pigs[3]	600	720	51.00	65.50	30,600	47,160
Total	--	--	--	--	1,000,900	981,550

[1]Cows and heifers kept for milk that have calved. These are included with cattle and calves.
[2]Does not include commercial broilers. December 1 previous year inventory.
[3]December 1 previous year.

LIVESTOCK ON FARMS, BY SPECIES AND CLASS, JANUARY 1

Species and class	1980	1981
	Thousand head	
All cattle and calves	2,050	2,300
All cows and heifers[1]	1,150	1,250
Beef cows and heifers[1]	1,069	1,170
Milk cows and heifers[1]	81	80
Beef heifers (replacements)	184	198
Milk heifers (replacements)	27	32
Other heifers	35	46
Steers over 500 lb.	76	85
Bulls over 500 lb.	68	69
Calves under 500 lb.[2]	510	620
All hogs and pigs[3]	600	720
Breeding stock (hogs and pigs)[3]	108	120
Market hogs and pigs[3]	492	600
Under 60 lb.	221	280
60 to 119 lb.	113	130
120 to 179 lb.	94	110
180 lb. and over	64	80

[1]Cows and heifers that have calved.
[2]Includes steer, heifer, and bull calves.
[3]Relates to December 1, preceding year.

LIVESTOCK RECORD HIGHS AND LOWS, INVENTORY NUMBERS

Species	Date series began	Record	Inventory number	Date
All cattle and calves	1867	High	2,680,000	January 1, 1975
		Low	371,000	January 1, 1867
Milk cows and heifers that have calved[1]	1867	High	536,000	January 1, 1943
		Low	80,000	January 1, 1981
All hogs	1867	High	1,640,000	January 1, 1896
		Low	218,000	December 1, 1966
Stock sheep and lambs	1867	High	280,000	January 1, 1879
		Low	4,900	January 1, 1978[2]
All chickens excl. comm. broilers	1924	High	27,450,000	December 1, 1980
		Low	4,488,000	January 1, 1958

[1]Prior to January 1, 1970, definition was milk cows and beef cows 2 years old and over.
[2]Estimates discontinued in 1978.

PRICES RECEIVED BY FARMERS

Commodity and year[1]	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
Beef cattle						Dollars per 100 pounds						
1971-80 av.	36.69	37.82	38.76	39.32	39.75	39.15	39.01	39.48	39.74	39.30	38.63	38.71
1978	35.20	37.80	40.80	44.30	45.50	49.90	51.40	52.50	56.30	57.90	58.00	61.30
1979	63.00	64.80	71.10	73.60	74.20	70.20	68.30	64.00	64.30	62.90	63.30	59.90
1980	58.60	60.50	55.90	52.10	49.30	51.30	49.70	49.50	48.80	48.80	49.20	51.10
Calves												
1971-80 av.	44.65	47.94	49.12	49.58	49.51	48.45	48.88	49.91	49.10	48.47	47.76	47.39
1978	36.60	38.00	41.90	45.20	49.60	52.60	57.50	61.20	65.70	66.70	66.00	68.30
1979	71.50	85.00	97.00	98.50	97.50	92.50	90.50	86.50	83.50	78.50	81.50	79.50
1980	83.90	90.00	79.00	72.00	68.80	68.40	67.50	70.90	70.10	71.40	67.50	69.40
Hogs												
1971-80 av.	35.59	37.01	36.44	34.05	35.01	35.79	38.15	39.93	39.21	38.89	36.54	37.30
1978	42.80	45.60	46.20	44.00	46.90	47.70	45.00	45.90	47.30	50.60	47.50	47.50
1979	49.20	51.50	49.80	45.20	43.40	45.20	39.70	35.20	37.60	34.30	33.00	37.20
1980	35.90	36.20	33.10	27.80	27.30	28.50	40.20	43.70	44.50	47.20	44.70	43.90
Milk, all												
1971-80 av.	9.43	9.47	9.30	9.07	8.95	8.95	8.98	9.10	9.49	9.88	10.11	10.22
1978	10.80	10.80	10.60	10.40	10.40	10.40	10.70	10.70	11.20	11.70	11.90	12.20
1979	12.40	12.50	12.30	12.00	11.80	11.90	11.90	12.30	12.70	13.40	13.50	13.40
1980	13.40	13.60	13.40	13.10	12.90	12.90	12.90	13.00	13.70	14.10	14.50	14.50
Milk, fluid grade[2]												
1971-80 av.	9.88	9.92	9.79	9.53	9.46	9.45	9.48	9.56	9.94	10.20	10.41	10.52
1978	11.20	11.10	11.00	10.80	10.90	10.80	11.20	11.20	11.70	12.10	12.30	12.50
1979	12.40	12.50	12.30	12.10	12.20	12.30	12.30	12.60	12.80	12.90	13.10	13.00
1980	13.70	14.00	13.80	13.50	13.20	13.30	13.30	13.40	14.10	14.50	14.80	14.80
Milk, mfg. grade[2]												
1971-80 av.	7.83	7.75	7.71	7.64	7.58	7.57	7.62	7.74	7.98	8.27	8.49	8.53
1978	8.95	8.90	8.90	8.90	8.90	8.95	9.15	9.10	9.50	10.00	10.40	10.70
1979	10.80	10.70	10.60	10.50	10.40	10.40	10.50	10.60	11.00	11.20	11.40	11.20
1980	11.50	11.40	11.30	11.20	11.20	11.20	11.20	11.30	11.50	12.00	12.30	12.40
Milk cows						Dollars per head						
1971-80 av.	458	469	486	502	510	512	516	521	518	530	541	545
1978	395	410	420	440	480	490	500	510	540	570	610	640
1979	680	760	860	965	995	985	960	960	990	1,100	1,150	1,150
1980	1,160	1,160	1,180	1,210	1,190	1,180	1,180	1,200	1,180	1,180	1,180	1,170
Chickens (excluding broilers)						Cents per pound						
1971-80 av.	11.7	10.3	10.7	10.3	12.0	10.0	10.8	11.9	12.1	12.8	13.9	12.9
1978	12.0	8.5	10.5	10.0	21.5	8.5	7.7	8.5	8.3	12.5	14.0	14.0
1979	13.0	13.5	14.0	14.0	18.0	13.0	10.5	9.0	8.5	9.0	16.0	14.5
1980	14.5	10.0	9.5	8.5	7.0	7.5	12.5	11.5	14.0	13.0	18.5	15.5
Commercial broilers												
1971-80 av.	21.1	22.1	22.2	22.2	23.0	23.2	24.9	25.0	23.4	22.1	21.6	21.0
1978	22.5	24.5	26.0	30.0	29.0	31.0	32.0	25.0	24.5	24.5	24.5	24.5
1979	28.0	30.5	29.0	27.5	30.5	26.0	24.5	23.0	23.0	20.0	24.5	24.5
1980	26.0	25.0	24.0	23.0	26.0	26.5	36.0	34.0	30.5	32.0	31.0	29.5
Turkeys												
1971-80 av.	35.2	32.9	32.2	32.2	31.7	31.5	32.2	33.2	33.0	34.5	35.9	37.2
1978	42.0	43.0	41.0	42.0	44.0	44.0	44.0	45.0	45.0	47.0	47.0	49.0
1979	49.0	45.0	43.0	45.0	44.0	40.0	38.0	40.0	38.0	40.0	47.0	49.0
1980	40.0	34.0	37.0	35.0	35.0	36.0	40.0	44.0	45.0	47.0	48.0	45.0
Eggs						Cents per dozen						
1971-80 av.	57.7	56.0	55.7	52.8	50.0	49.1	50.7	54.4	56.3	55.0	58.6	63.7
1978	49.7	54.9	55.8	53.0	47.7	43.9	49.3	52.6	52.8	51.0	57.5	65.0
1979	63.0	63.0	71.0	67.0	65.0	63.0	61.0	60.0	62.0	58.0	61.0	68.0
1980	62.5	57.0	60.5	59.0	54.5	52.5	54.5	62.0	64.0	64.5	68.0	73.5

[1]1980 preliminary data.

[2]Milk sold to plants.

LIVESTOCK INVENTORY, PRODUCTION, DISPOSITION, AND INCOME

Species and item	Unit	Average 1971-80	1976	1977	1978	1979	1980
				Thousands[1]			
Cattle and calves							
Inventory Jan 1	Head	2,164	2,385	2,500	2,120	2,000	2,050
Calf crop	Head	1,059	1,110	1,070	1,070	980	1,080
Inshipment	Head	19	9	7	7	5	5
Marketings[2]	Head	898	870	1,300	1,065	819	717
Farm slaughter	Head	12	14	17	11	11	13
Deaths	Head	118	120	140	121	105	105
Production	Pounds	669,466	663,530	712,200	688,665	618,380	674,370
Marketings[2]	Pounds	607,184	577,870	903,320	742,770	559,740	485,850
Price per 100 lb.							
Cattle	Dollars	38.95	31.00	31.80	50.50	66.30	51.80
Calves	Dollars	47.75	31.80	34.00	50.00	86.80	72.70
Value of production	Dollars	269,937	206,859	229,487	347,130	433,897	376,222
Cash receipts[3]	Dollars	248,909	180,101	291,164	374,427	390,591	268,662
Value of home consumption	Dollars	10,668	7,857	12,191	11,654	22,075	22,642
Gross income	Dollars	252,377	187,958	303,355	386,081	412,666	291,304
Hogs and pigs							
Inventory Dec. 1 previous year	Head	390	302	395	400	550	600
Pig crop	Head	748	743	691	952	1,044	1,234
Inshipment	Head	9	7	8	11	22	22
Marketings[2]	Head	636	573	609	712	908	1,015
Farm slaughter	Head	27	26	25	25	28	28
Deaths	Head	61	58	60	76	80	93
Production	Pounds	127,967	124,417	116,089	153,865	194,255	226,702
Marketings[2]	Pounds	112,959	100,819	101,625	129,664	178,811	205,885
Price per 100 lb.	Dollars	36.69	43.00	37.80	46.00	41.70	37.50
Value of production	Dollars	49,028	55,977	46,086	74,242	82,011	86,546
Cash receipts	Dollars	43,398	45,944	40,713	63,335	75,707	78,975
Value of home consumption	Dollars	4,042	5,031	3,946	4,662	4,005	3,377
Gross income	Dollars	47,440	50,975	44,659	67,997	79,712	82,352
Bees							
Colonies of bees	Colony	54	55	52	45	35	32
Honey							
Yield per colony	Pounds	33	33	30	32	45	46
Production	Pounds	1,771	1,815	1,560	1,440	1,575	1,472
Price per lb.	Dollars	.438	.471	.466	.473	.515	.560
Value of production	Dollars	775	855	727	681	811	824

[1]Thousands except for prices, and yield per colony.

[2]Excludes interfarm sales.

[3]Includes receipts from marketings and from sales of farm-slaughtered meat.

LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTER: NUMBER, AVERAGE LIVEWEIGHT, AND TOTAL LIVEWEIGHT, BY MONTHS[1]

Month	Number slaughtered		Average liveweight per head[2]		Total liveweight	
	1979	1980	1979	1980	1979	1980
	Head		Pounds		Thous. pounds	
Cattle						
January	13,400	12,300	916	895	12,269	11,054
February	12,600	10,700	886	913	11,117	9,745
March	12,600	9,300	892	884	11,195	8,216
April	11,200	5,900	883	830	9,918	4,884
May	13,400	7,700	889	878	11,870	6,717
June	12,500	10,600	881	884	10,980	9,403
July	11,100	11,600	903	881	10,052	10,233
August	13,700	14,200	895	903	12,296	12,814
September	11,200	14,400	891	889	9,988	12,789
October	13,500	14,100	908	890	12,266	12,563
November	12,000	11,400	869	890	10,431	10,173
December	10,700	10,400	886	890	9,477	9,289
Total or av	147,800	132,700	892	889	131,859	117,881
Calves						
January	200	500	323	408	73	184
February	100	400	414	402	45	178
March	200	300	425	407	67	135
April	200	300	410	392	80	135
May	300	500	392	423	111	201
June	400	500	393	367	143	198
July	400	700	397	343	140	256
August	100	300	390	347	53	119
September	200	300	448	369	100	103
October	200	1,000	370	391	72	388
November	600	900	402	422	247	388
December	400	500	421	353	165	159
Total or av	3,200	6,300	399	387	1,296	2,444
Hogs						
January	17,900	24,000	232	249	4,153	5,964
February	16,600	23,700	238	251	3,941	5,941
March	17,600	25,500	239	249	4,199	6,351
April	17,700	28,200	240	250	4,241	7,052
May	18,800	26,800	244	255	4,595	6,846
June	19,000	24,900	231	254	4,402	6,309
July	19,400	22,600	250	259	4,852	5,859
August	21,300	20,700	239	253	5,085	5,249
September	19,100	23,300	235	268	4,502	6,248
October	24,100	27,200	240	278	5,793	7,559
November	22,800	24,700	244	292	5,568	7,221
December	21,100	28,200	253	286	5,318	8,051
Total or av	235,300	299,700	241	262	56,649	78,650

[1]Includes federally inspected and other commercial slaughter; excludes farm slaughter. Totals may not add due to rounding.

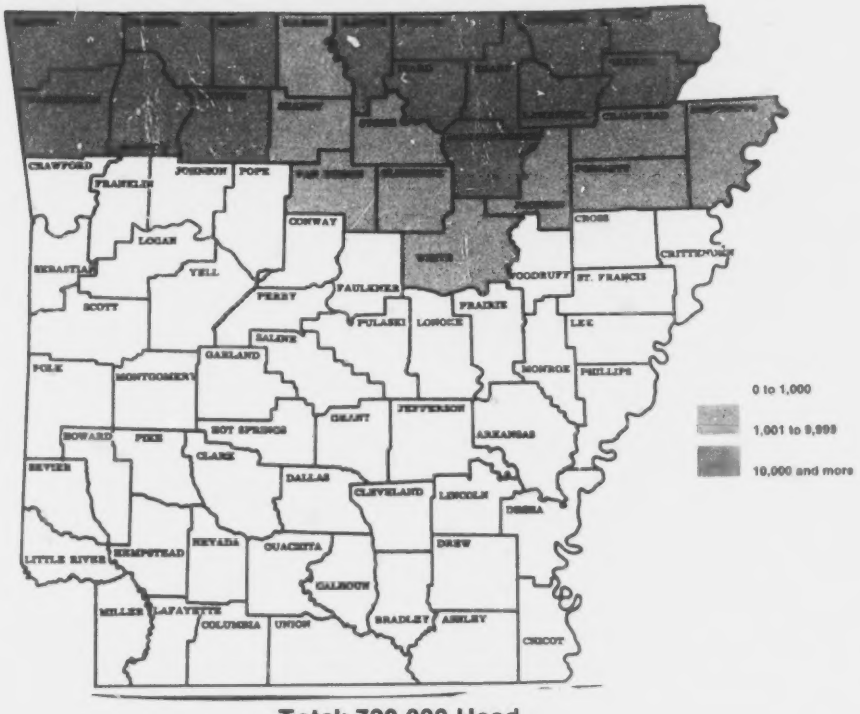
[2]Averages are based on unrounded numbers.

ARKANSAS: ACREAGE, YIELD, PRODUCTION, AND VALUE OF PRINCIPAL TRUCK, FRUIT, AND NUT CROPS, 1979 AND 1980

Crop	Harvested acreage		Unit	Yield per acre		Production		Season average price		Value of production	
	1979	1980		1979	1980	1979	1980	1979	1980	1979	1980
	Acres			Units		Thous. units		Dollars		Thous. dollars	
Truck crops											
For fresh market											
Strawberries[1]	400	400	Lb.	4,400	6,400	1,800	2,600	.428	.305	770	793
Tomatoes	3,100	2,700	Cwt.	130	89	402	241	29.35	32.77	11,798	7,897
Watermelons	3,300	2,000	Cwt.	95	40	314	80	3.30	4.52	1,036	362
For processing											
Other truck crops	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	2,454	1,620
Total truck crops	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	16,058	10,672
Fruit and nut crops											
Apples (commercial)	--	--	Lb.	--	--	23,000	5,000	.1150	.0830	2,645	415
Grapes	--	--	Ton	--	--	8.2	6.6	161.00	170.00	1,320	1,122
Peaches	--	--	Lb.	--	--	35,000	27,000	.1380	.1350	4,830	3,645
Pecans, all	--	--	Lb.	--	--	1,500	900	.504	.824	756	742
Total fruit and nut crops	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	9,551	5,924

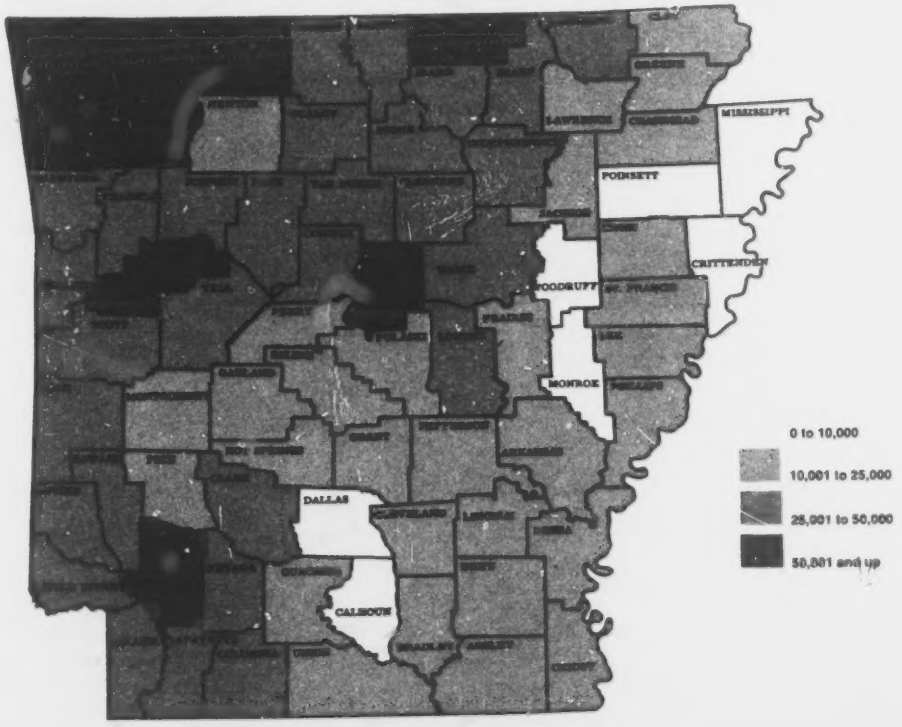
[1]Includes fresh market and processing.

HOGS AND PIGS ON ARKANSAS FARMS, DECEMBER 1, 1980



Total: 720,000 Head

CATTLE AND CALVES ON ARKANSAS FARMS, JANUARY 1, 1981



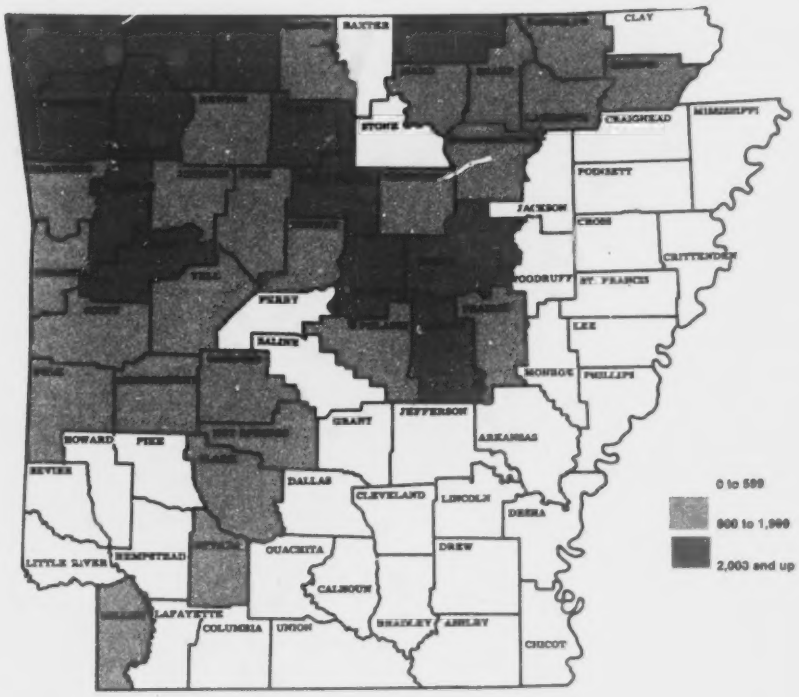
Total: 2,300,000 Head

LIVESTOCK ON FARMS, BY COUNTIES, JANUARY 1, 1981

District and county	All cattle and calves	Milk cows[1]	Hogs and pigs[2]
	Number	Number	Number
DISTRICT 1			
Benton	144,900	10,000	[3]
Boone	77,300	2,000	[3]
Carroll	57,400	4,500	[3]
Madison	56,900	3,800	[3]
Newton	22,300	500	[3]
Washington	129,400	7,000	[3]
TOTAL	488,200	27,800	[4]
DISTRICT 2			
Baxter	28,500	400	[3]
Cleburne	42,100	1,300	[3]
Fulton	53,500	2,500	[3]
Izard	35,000	600	[3]
Marion	37,800	1,500	[3]
Searcy	43,800	2,100	[3]
Sharp	38,700	500	[3]
Stone	35,000	400	[3]
Van Buren	28,600	2,400	[3]
TOTAL	343,000	11,700	[4]
DISTRICT 3			
Clay	21,000	400	[3]
Craighead	11,200	[3]	[3]
Greene	14,200	700	[3]
Independence	39,400	800	[3]
Jackson	18,700	[3]	[3]
Lawrence	23,800	500	[3]
Mississippi	4,800	[3]	[3]
Poinsett	9,900	[3]	[3]
Randolph	26,300	600	[3]
White	47,400	2,800	[3]
TOTAL	216,700	5,800	[4]
DISTRICT 4			
Crawford	32,400	500	2,700
Franklin	36,000	3,000	1,000
Johnson	37,400	500	3,800
Logan	60,800	5,300	3,600
Polk	35,500	700	5,200
Pope	40,500	500	32,300
Scott	46,800	500	1,400
Sebastian	48,600	1,600	600
Yell	49,800	900	9,400
TOTAL	387,800	13,500	60,000
DISTRICT 5			
Conway	42,900	1,900	5,800
Faulkner	52,100	4,600	2,700
Garland	12,100	500	2,700
Grant	12,700	400	2,100
Hot Spring	10,900	1,100	1,600
Perry	14,100	[3]	2,200
Pulaski	21,700	700	4,300
Saline	13,100	300	2,700
TOTAL	179,600	9,500	24,100
DISTRICT 6			
Arkansas	13,400	[3]	1,800
Crittenden	4,900	[3]	900
Cross	12,700	[3]	3,700
Lee	11,300	400	2,800
Lonoke	39,000	4,100	2,900
Monroe	3,700	[3]	1,300
Phillips	16,100	400	3,300
Prairie	14,500	900	1,400
St. Francis	14,300	[3]	3,900
Woodruff	7,400	[3]	1,000
TOTAL	137,300	5,800	23,000
DISTRICT 7			
Hempstead	55,600	400	6,100
Howard	31,700	300	1,500
Lafayette	31,000	300	4,400
Little River	27,600	300	700
Miller	45,300	900	1,400
Montgomery	15,900	500	12,200
Pike	20,300	[3]	2,700
Sevier	35,900	[3]	1,300
TOTAL	263,200	2,700	30,300
DISTRICT 8			
Bradley	10,400	[3]	1,000
Calhoun	8,100	[3]	500
Clark	34,300	500	1,400
Cleveland	14,900	300	700
Columbia	29,000	400	1,800
Dallas	9,200	[3]	1,300
Nevada	33,600	500	1,800
Ouachita	16,900	[3]	2,000
Union	12,800	300	1,100
TOTAL	169,200	2,000	11,600
DISTRICT 9			
Ashley	19,000	[3]	1,000
Chicot	23,000	[3]	1,100
Desha	13,500	[3]	900
Drew	22,200	[3]	2,200
Jefferson	17,100	300	1,600
Lincoln	20,200	300	2,600
TOTAL	115,000	600	9,400
Other counties	--	600	561,600
STATE	2,300,000	80,000	720,000

[1]Includes all commercial herds and farm milk cows that have calved.
[2]December 1, 1980.
[3]Included in other counties.
[4]No totals published to avoid disclosure of individual operations.

MILK COWS ON ARKANSAS FARMS, JANUARY 1, 1981



Total = 80,000 Head

MILK: FARM PRODUCTION, DISPOSITION, AND INCOME

Year	Milk cows on farms[1]	Milk production[2]		Value of sales (cash receipts)	Value of milk products consumed in household on farms where produced[3]	Gross farm income from dairy products[4]
		Per cow	Total			
	Thous.	Pounds	Million pounds	Thous. dollars	Thous. dollars	Thous. dollars
1971-80 av.	88	8,159	718	64,846	2,861	67,707
1976	85	8,353	710	68,288	3,048	71,336
1977	84	8,631	725	69,616	2,834	72,450
1978	83	8,783	729	76,792	2,763	79,555
1979	82	8,841	725	86,797	3,010	89,807
1980	81	9,198	745	96,120	3,240	99,360

[1]Average number on farms during year, excluding heifers not yet fresh.
[2]Excludes milk sucked by calves.
[3]Computed at average returns per 100 pounds for milk in products marketed.
[4]Cash receipts from marketing of milk and cream plus value of milk used for farm consumption and farm butter churned.

MILK COWS ON FARMS, PRODUCTION PER COW, AND TOTAL MILK PRODUCTION AND DISPOSITION

Year	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Total or av.
MILK COWS ON FARMS: (Thousand head)													
1971-80 av.	89	89	89	89	89	88	88	88	88	88	88	87	88
1976	86	86	86	86	86	85	85	85	85	85	85	85	85
1977	85	85	85	85	84	84	84	84	84	84	84	84	84
1978	84	84	84	84	84	83	83	83	83	83	83	83	83
1979	83	83	83	83	82	82	82	82	81	81	81	81	82
1980	81	81	81	81	81	81	81	81	81	81	81	80	81
MILK PRODUCTION PER COW: (Pounds)													
1971-80 av.	620	582	677	724	763	740	736	720	681	677	622	631	8,188
1976	615	585	695	745	770	750	740	735	695	690	640	655	8,353
1977	650	600	710	760	790	770	775	765	750	735	640	660	8,631
1978	660	605	700	755	800	780	795	790	745	735	675	700	8,783
1979	680	630	715	770	810	790	790	780	755	745	680	710	8,841
1980	750	700	775	810	850	835	800	750	730	750	695	735	9,198
MILK PRODUCTION ON FARMS: (Million pounds)													
1971-80 av.	55	52	60	64	67	65	65	63	59	59	54	55	718
1976	53	50	60	64	66	64	63	62	59	59	54	56	710
1977	55	51	60	65	66	65	65	64	63	62	54	55	725
1978	55	51	59	63	67	65	66	66	62	61	56	58	729
1979	56	52	59	64	66	65	65	64	61	60	55	58	725
1980	61	57	63	66	69	68	65	61	59	61	56	59	745

Year	Milk used on farms where produced	Milk sold or used in preparation of dairy products sold from farms			
		For deliveries to plants and dealers		Retail milk and cream sales by farmers[1]	Total utilized in products sold
		As cream	As milk		
	Million pounds				
1971-80 av.	40	--	668	11	678
1976	38	--	660	12	672
1977	37	--	675	13	688
1978	34	--	685	10	695
1979	33	--	685	7	692
1980	33	--	712	--	712

[1]Approximations based on information on sales by producer-distributors and other farmers on own routes or at farms.

POULTRY AND POULTRY PRODUCTS
CHICKENS: NUMBER, PRODUCTION, AND CASH RECEIPTS[1]

Year	On farms[2]			Produced on farms annually		Consumed on farms annually		Sold from farms annually	
		Value							
	Number	Per head	Total	Number	Value	Number	Value	Number	Cash receipts
	Thousands	Dollars	Thous. dollars	Thousands	Thous. dollars	Thousands	Thous. dollars	Thousands	Thous. dollars
1971-80 average	25,058	1.72	42,992	19,235	12,706	609	257	18,383	12,238
1977	23,920	1.65	39,468	19,655	15,890	600	307	17,351	14,436
1978	25,624	1.90	48,686	19,102	13,709	600	293	18,401	13,470
1979	25,725	2.05	52,736	21,275	14,399	600	283	19,400	13,735
1980	27,000	2.15	58,050	19,550	13,720	600	245	18,500	13,209
1981	27,450	2.20	60,390	--	--	--	--	--	--

[1]Does not include commercial broilers.
[2]December 1 previous year inventory.

TURKEYS RAISED: PRODUCTION AND INCOME

Year	Number raised	Price per pound	Gross income
	Thousands	Cents	Thousand dollars
1971-80 average	9,976	33.0	64,603
1977	10,800	34.5	71,912
1978	12,500	45.0	105,750
1979	13,340	39.0	91,566
1980	14,500	41.0	106,416

EGGS: PRODUCTION AND CASH RECEIPTS

Year	Produced on farms annually[1]			Consumed on farms annually[2]		Sold from farms annually	
	Number	Price per doz.	Value	Number	Value	Number	Cash receipts
	Millions	Cents	Thous. dollars	Millions	Thous. dollars	Millions	Thous. dollars
1971-80 average	3,817	54.8	174,739	14	624	3,803	174,116
1976	3,752	64.5	201,670	16	860	3,736	200,810
1977	3,812	57.0	181,070	12	570	3,800	180,500
1978	4,002	52.0	173,420	12	520	3,990	172,900
1979	4,123	63.5	218,175	12	635	4,111	217,540
1980	4,153	60.6	209,727	12	606	4,141	209,121

[1]December 1 previous year inventory.
[2]Does not include eggs for farm hatching.

COMMERCIAL BROILERS: NUMBER, PRODUCTION, AND INCOME

Year[1]	Number produced	Average liveweight per bird	Production	Average price per pound	Gross income
		Pounds	Pounds	Cents	Dollars
1971-80 average	550,958,100	3.6	1,976,660,100	22.8	450,720,900
1976	540,428,000	3.6	1,945,541,000	23.2	451,366,000
1977	569,558,000	3.6	2,050,409,000	23.3	477,745,000
1978	612,102,000	3.6	2,203,567,000	26.2	577,335,000
1979	678,208,000	3.7	2,509,370,000	25.5	639,889,000
1980	634,877,000	3.7	2,349,045,000	28.0	657,733,000

[1]Twelve-month period beginning with December 1 of the previous year.

HENS AND PULLETS OF LAYING AGE: AVERAGE NUMBER ON FARMS

Year	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
						Thousands						
1971-80 average	16,471	16,358	16,273	16,299	16,285	16,164	15,978	15,915	16,031	16,180	16,317	16,452
1976	16,000	16,115	16,024	16,034	15,900	15,975	15,800	15,500	15,450	15,500	15,563	15,813
1977	15,900	15,600	15,600	15,850	15,950	16,000	16,050	16,200	16,700	16,900	17,000	17,200
1978	16,950	16,750	16,700	16,625	16,550	16,550	16,550	16,500	16,475	16,650	17,050	17,400
1979	17,550	17,450	17,400	17,400	17,150	16,850	16,700	16,650	16,825	16,975	16,950	17,275
1980	17,376	17,188	17,251	17,258	17,220	16,950	16,715	16,891	17,268	17,418	17,425	17,425

EGGS LAID PER 100 HENS AND PULLETS

Year	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
						Number						
1971-80 average	1,965	1,812	2,017	1,982	2,051	1,961	1,998	1,972	1,905	1,979	1,920	1,980
1976	1,984	1,888	2,049	2,013	2,071	1,974	2,034	2,003	1,920	1,978	1,890	1,944
1977	1,931	1,781	2,058	2,025	2,074	1,971	2,006	1,959	1,905	2,006	1,974	2,058
1978	2,012	1,809	2,058	2,037	2,093	1,989	2,000	1,975	1,929	2,018	1,962	2,027
1979	2,009	1,803	2,043	2,037	2,130	2,028	2,052	2,034	1,950	2,006	1,974	2,055
1980	2,049	1,914	2,081	2,051	2,096	1,982	1,998	1,983	1,957	2,032	1,963	2,014

EGGS PRODUCED ON FARMS

Year	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	TOTAL
							Millions						
1971-80 average	324	296	328	323	334	317	319	314	306	321	314	326	3,822
1976	317	304	328	323	329	315	321	310	297	307	294	307	3,752
1977	307	278	321	321	331	315	322	317	318	339	336	354	3,859
1978	341	303	344	339	346	329	331	326	318	336	335	353	4,001
1979	353	315	355	354	365	342	343	339	328	341	335	355	4,125
1980	356	329	359	354	361	336	334	335	338	354	342	351	4,149

CHICKS HATCHED BY COMMERCIAL HATCHERIES

Year	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	TOTAL
							Thousands						
1971-80 average	52,771	50,320	57,199	56,198	58,403	55,812	53,778	52,697	49,033	49,684	48,224	51,856	635,975
1976	49,541	48,981	55,677	54,407	55,929	53,752	52,737	53,293	48,768	47,497	46,862	51,405	618,849
1977	53,973	51,616	59,847	59,788	62,069	58,233	55,494	54,736	51,997	53,583	50,231	55,489	667,056
1978	57,622	54,086	61,173	60,991	66,178	63,607	61,086	55,859	52,993	55,875	55,831	60,404	705,705
1979	62,748	57,868	67,436	68,397	72,117	71,076	67,495	66,954	58,901	58,761	54,802	63,219	769,774
1980	64,970	63,215	67,124	63,545	65,731	63,145	62,493	55,415	56,173	59,915	57,058	62,988	741,772

ARKANSAS BROILER AND TURKEY PRODUCTION, 1978 and 1979[1]

District and county	Broilers		Turkeys	
	1978	1979	1978	1979
	Thousands			
DISTRICT 1				
Benton	60,187	65,242	2,749	2,737
Boone	--	--	313	356
Carroll	12,611	14,854	3,492	3,440
Madison	33,284	36,301	488	522
Washington	89,230	99,292	1,370	1,441
Total	195,312	215,689	8,412	8,496
DISTRICT 2				
Baxter	850	1,017	299	402
Cleburne	23,542	23,033	--	--
Izard	7,338	7,598	65	83
Marion	--	--	370	309
Searcy	164	81	--	--
Sharp	1,375	830	--	--
Stone	22,499	22,335	--	--
Van Buren	6,129	11,679	--	--
Total	65,897	66,573	734	794
DISTRICT 3				
Independence	8,756	9,261	--	--
White	1,458	1,212	--	70
Total	10,214	10,473	--	70
DISTRICT 4				
Crawford	17,004	17,185	376	424
Franklin	10,453	9,321	1,937	2,093
Johnson	7,298	7,683	296	332
Logan	15,812	16,191	--	--
Polk	26,720	30,890	--	--
Pope	20,744	23,049	980	835
Scott	10,243	12,966	--	--
Sebastian	5,086	5,277	--	--
Yell	34,339	37,132	--	250
Total	147,699	159,694	3,589	3,934
DISTRICT 5				
Conway	13,545	18,678	90	187
Faulkner	--	--	--	128
Grant	637	653	--	--
Perry	5,660	6,166	--	--
Total	19,842	25,497	90	315
DISTRICT 6				
Lonoke	--	--	60	60
DISTRICT 7				
Hempstead	20,710	23,556	--	--
Howard	43,623	43,447	--	--
Lafayette	8,400	8,602	--	--
Little River	5,328	3,282	--	--
Miller	9,672	12,189	--	--
Montgomery	10,315	9,924	--	--
Pike	15,981	17,417	--	--
Sevier	24,779	27,524	--	--
Total	138,808	145,941	--	--
DISTRICT 8				
Bradley	5,449	4,793	--	--
Calhoun	147	29	--	--
Clark	185	--	--	--
Cleveland	6,337	5,638	--	--
Columbia	7,596	9,951	--	--
Nevada	10,035	11,013	--	--
Ouachita	4,306	4,527	--	--
Union	8,729	9,280	--	--
Total	42,784	45,231	--	--
DISTRICT 9				
Ashley	257	284	--	--
Drew	999	349	--	--
Jefferson	2,158	1,151	--	--
Lincoln	4,982	4,190	--	--
Total	8,396	5,974	--	--
STATE	628,952	675,072	12,885	13,669

[1]Data obtained by County Extension Agents.

BROILER CHICKS BY WEEKS

Week ending	Broiler chicks placed in farms in Arkansas						Broiler chicks shipped out of Arkansas	
	Total		Hatched in Arkansas		Shipped in			
	1979	1980	1979	1980	1979	1980	1979	1980
	Thousand chicks							
Jan. 5	13,131	13,283	12,624	12,514	507	769	790	1,057
12	13,318	13,240	12,626	12,601	692	639	683	1,098
19	12,733	13,395	12,228	12,719	505	676	1,365	1,042
26	12,920	13,603	12,233	12,877	687	726	1,222	1,085
Feb. 2	12,574	13,208	11,868	12,512	706	696	1,581	1,736
9	12,982	13,031	12,576	12,241	406	790	1,215	1,861
16	13,309	13,202	12,866	12,316	443	886	790	2,056
23	12,984	13,360	12,419	12,603	565	757	1,245	1,915
Mar. 1	13,646	13,459	12,931	12,656	715	803	831	1,599
8	13,461	14,245	12,854	13,238	607	1,007	1,009	888
15	14,417	13,790	13,489	12,845	928	945	952	1,832
22	14,336	14,079	13,602	13,124	734	955	975	1,022
29	14,151	13,878	13,335	12,891	816	987	1,498	1,171
Apr. 5	14,271	13,130	13,352	12,278	919	852	1,440	1,641
12	14,745	12,738	13,798	11,931	947	807	1,014	1,926
19	14,482	13,060	13,518	12,165	964	895	1,292	2,018
26	15,153	13,052	14,457	12,113	696	939	1,050	1,975
May 3	15,041	12,953	14,431	12,186	610	767	1,159	1,627
10	15,031	13,541	14,397	12,661	634	880	991	1,239
17	14,442	13,498	13,754	12,651	688	847	1,285	1,285
24	14,451	13,857	13,739	13,013	712	844	1,762	1,029
31	14,753	14,113	13,900	13,175	853	938	1,376	981
June 7	14,382	13,241	13,485	12,307	897	934	1,626	1,806
14	15,190	13,280	14,329	12,399	861	881	756	1,711
21	15,297	13,066	14,550	12,196	747	870	1,240	1,537
28	15,499	12,891	14,628	11,983	871	908	1,012	1,898
July 5	14,860	13,167	14,028	12,264	832	903	1,047	1,685
12	13,698	13,292	13,040	12,534	658	758	787	1,202
19	13,611	13,124	12,794	12,375	817	749	1,564	1,255
26	13,271	12,629	12,534	12,019	737	610	1,828	1,050
Aug. 2	13,452	12,326	12,675	11,491	777	835	1,537	863
9	13,640	11,151	12,916	10,337	724	814	1,571	1,274
16	14,259	10,423	13,289	9,628	970	795	1,150	1,306
23	14,203	11,004	13,220	10,292	983	712	1,201	1,546
30	13,848	11,454	12,975	10,654	873	800	1,153	1,431
Sept. 6	13,651	11,491	12,876	10,651	775	840	1,041	1,639
13	13,700	11,809	12,927	11,007	773	802	996	1,348
20	12,218	12,052	11,434	11,220	784	832	1,510	1,126
27	10,295	11,936	9,671	11,255	624	681	1,657	1,040
Oct. 4	10,454	12,881	9,967	12,100	487	781	1,259	649
11	11,466	11,913	10,873	11,296	593	617	1,567	957
18	12,159	12,904	11,389	12,254	770	650	1,662	888
25	12,294	12,692	11,636	11,934	658	758	1,484	1,292
Nov. 1	10,528	11,758	9,898	10,937	630	821	1,033	1,427
8	10,136	10,126	9,618	9,529	518	597	864	1,280
15	12,053	11,670	11,355	10,956	698	714	714	1,634
22	12,082	12,750	11,423	11,913	659	837	1,136	1,636
29	11,927	12,297	11,298	11,484	629	813	1,783	1,526
Dec. 6	12,241	12,715	11,576	12,004	665	711	1,851	1,539
13	12,353	13,050	11,666	12,189	687	861	1,709	1,367
20	12,552	12,810	11,961	11,991	591	819	1,813	1,446
27	13,003	12,649	12,399	11,977	604	672	1,110	946

FERTILIZER USAGE: ACRES, RATES OF APPLICATION, AND KIND

	Unit	1976	1977	1978	1979	1980
COTTON						
Acres harvested	(000)	950	930	760	530	635
Acres receiving						
Any fertilizer	Percent	98	98	94	99	99
Nitrogen (N)	Percent	97	95	93	98	98
Phosphate (P_2O_5)	Percent	74	75	62	78	76
Potash (K_2O)	Percent	77	78	74	83	85
Rate per acre receiving[1]						
Nitrogen (N)	Pounds	64.6	66.0	63.6	61.7	58.7
Phosphate (P_2O_5)	Pounds	41.4	47.5	41.7	36.6	39.0
Potash (K_2O)	Pounds	54.8	60.3	50.1	50.8	52.7
Acres fertilized[2]						
At or before seeding only	Percent	77	73	68	64	63
After seeding only	Percent	8	4	8	12	16
At or before and after seeding	Percent	15	23	24	24	21
SOYBEANS						
Acres harvested	(000)	4,320	4,600	4,700	5,150	4,350
Acres receiving						
Any fertilizer	Percent	33	39	37	37	33
Nitrogen (N)	Percent	13	18	16	16	11
Phosphate (P_2O_5)	Percent	29	35	35	35	32
Potash (K_2O)	Percent	32	36	37	36	33
Rate per acre receiving[1]						
Nitrogen (N)	Pounds	19.0	28.1	15.7	16.7	15.8
Phosphate (P_2O_5)	Pounds	36.0	39.6	40.8	38.3	42.8
Potash (K_2O)	Pounds	56.0	54.2	57.2	52.4	55.6
Acres fertilized[2]						
At or before seeding only	Percent	98	98	100	98	94
After seeding only	Percent	2	2	0	2	6
At or before and after seeding	Percent	0	0	0	0	0

[1]P_2O_5 can be converted to P by dividing by 2.29137 and K_2O is converted to K by dividing by 1.20459.
[2]Percentages apply to acres receiving fertilizer, not to total acres.

FERTILIZERS: CONSUMPTION BY KIND OF FERTILIZER[1] IN ARKANSAS, YEARS ENDING JUNE 30

Kind or type	1976	1977	1978	1979	1980
			Tons		
Total fertilizer consumed	716,673	787,358	642,876	664,894	761,718
Mixtures, total	399,197	431,404	368,703	370,692	390,802
Direct application materials, total[2]	317,476	355,954	274,173	294,202	370,916
Ammonia, total	11,022	13,846	9,793	6,338	9,534
Anhydrous	10,432	13,662	9,792	6,284	9,534
Aqua	590	184	1	54	0
Urea	157,209	187,971	142,643	163,623	195,963
Ammonium nitrate	80,394	77,916	56,127	57,005	80,599
Nitrogen solution	32,906	35,104	20,748	23,008	43,622
Superphosphate, total	7,481	8,902	7,240	7,823	5,733
Ammonium phosphate	650	649	880	1,273	792
Potash materials, total	18,380	20,816	25,943	23,664	24,907

[1]Excludes liming materials.
[2]Excludes materials used in commercial mixtures.

WORKERS ON ARKANSAS FARMS, BY MONTHS

Year	Jan.	Apr.	July	Oct.	Annual av.
			Thousands of persons		
TOTAL WORKERS					
1971-80 average	72	102	126	110	101
1976	75	95	122	92	96
1977	67	93	125	83	92
1978	55	100	107	71	84
1979	60	64	86	75	72
1980	63	69	98	78	77
FAMILY WORKERS					
1971-80 average	55	65	72	69	65
1976	58	70	80	64	68
1977	56	59	78	58	63
1978	42	67	68	46	56
1979	45	43	58	48	49
1980	43	44	60	46	48
HIRED WORKERS					
1971-80 average	17	37	54	42	36
1976	17	25	42	28	28
1977	11	34	47	25	29
1978	13	33	39	25	28
1979	15	21	28	27	23
1980	20	25	38	32	29

Starting January 1975, estimates made quarterly.

ARKANSAS FARM WAGES: RATE PER HOUR[1]

Year	Jan.	Apr.	July	Oct.	Average
			Dollars		
1969	1.23	1.28	1.31	1.30	1.30
1970	1.30	1.33	1.33	1.35	1.34
1971	1.40	1.43	1.42	1.46	1.45
1972	1.49	1.52	1.48	1.55	1.53
1973	1.60	1.60	1.63	1.69	1.67
1974	1.80	1.95	2.00	2.07	1.96
1975	2.09	1.95	2.00	2.23	2.07
1976	2.44	2.38	2.23	2.36	2.35
1977	2.54	2.46	2.67	2.71	2.60
1978	2.90	2.78	2.79	2.74	2.78
1979	2.99	3.15	3.18	2.95	3.07
1980	3.49	3.33	3.19	3.33	3.29

[1]Rate per hour without board or room.

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110	Crop Report	Monthly
120	Special Acreage, Production and Value Reports	Periodically
131	Grain Stocks	Quarterly
132	Rice Stocks	Quarterly
140	Seeds	Periodically
151	Cotton County Estimates	Annually
152	Rice County Estimates	Annually
153	Soybean County Estimates	Annually
154	Corn County Estimates	Annually
155	Wheat County Estimates	Annually
156	Sorghum County Estimates	Annually
210	Fruits and Vegetables	Seasonally
220	Pecans	Seasonally
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470	Cattle Inventory	Semi-Annually
610	Broilers	Weekly
650	Egg Production, Hatchery Production, Poultry Inventory, and Turkeys	Monthly
710	Prices Received and Paid	Monthly
720	Cash Receipts	Annually
820	Farm Labor	Quarterly
910	Crop-Weather	Weekly (Apr-Dec)
920	Statistical Bulletin	Annually
930	Bees and Honey	Annually

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Crop and livestock estimates serve as useful tools for farmers. Unbiased estimates of acreages, yield, production, broilers, eggs, cattle, dairy, and other items are considered to be necessary by most producers in making management decisions. They may decide to reduce their cattle operation or switch from cotton to soybeans or hold rice off the market temporarily. These choices can only be made when reliable agricultural estimates are available. They eliminate the ill effects of misleading reports that might be circulated for private gain, if there were no official reports.

Estimates provide information on surplus and deficit areas of production, making possible a more economical distribution of products. This enables the manufacturer to meet the probable demand. With economical production and distribution, the manufacturer can sell at a lower price than he could with uncertain demand.

Crop and livestock estimates also reduce the risk of ownership of farm products, which makes it possible to do business on a smaller margin.

There is some concern as to how the estimates may influence prices. Prices may rise or fall slightly after a report. However, the actual supply entering the market is what has long-run impact on the price. Omitting crop and livestock reports will not change the facts.

Crop and livestock estimates also help legislators and farm organizations in planning programs.

The program has worked well for over a century because so many people recognize the value of agricultural statistics. Many respondents have faithfully returned questionnaires for over 50 years.

Estimates are based entirely on survey responses, field visits, and professional appraisal of the situation. There are no outside influences or considerations in arriving at the information that we make public. Also, buyers, sellers, USDA officials, and all others receive the information at the same time, when published. In other words, nobody can obtain advance information.

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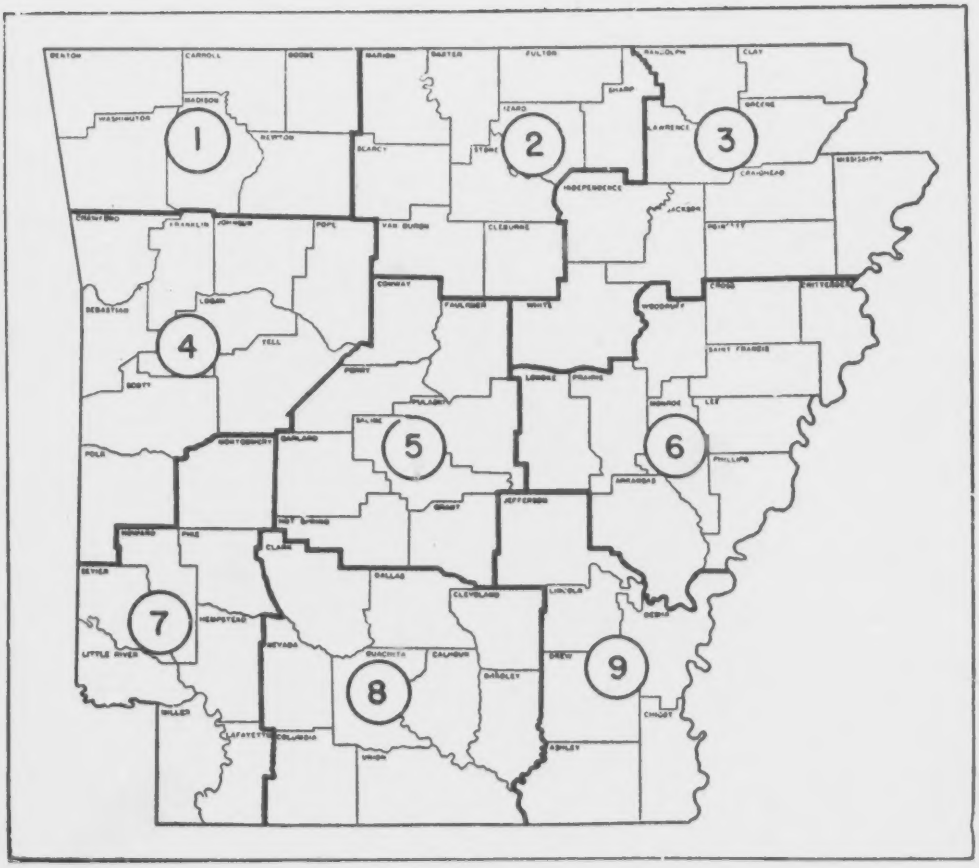

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